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MR. EDEN ON AID TO GREECE: NO TRUTH IN THE MALICIOUS REPORTS OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CHIEFS

Yugoslav Mobilisation Before Coup D'etat Was Too Slow

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—SPEAKING IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THIS AFTERNOON, MR. ANTHONY EDEN, SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAID THAT THERE WAS NOT A WORD OF TRUTH IN THE MALICIOUS REPORTS OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE CHIEF OF THE IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, MR. EDEN AND THE THREE COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF—MIDDLE EAST, MEDITERRANEAN AND THE AIR OFFICER COMMANDING—REGARDING HELP TO GREECE.

Mr. Eden said that General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier, went to Cairo on his invitation and Gen. Smuts had authorised him to say that he, too, was in complete agreement with the decision to help Greece.

THE YUGOSLAV MOBILISATION BEFORE THE COUP D'ETAT DID NOT PROCEED FAST ENOUGH, DESPITE REPEATED ASSURANCES.

Only after the coup was the urgent effort made to get the Yugoslav armies ready. It was then too late to stop the German drive.

Mr. Eden said that he had been deeply impressed by the loyal friendship of Turkish statesmen and their determination to stand firm against any menace to their sovereignty or any infringement of their rights and interests.

He was sure that loyalty to the alliance with Britain remained the basis of Turkish foreign policy.

Men forming Australia's Home Guard will mostly be returned soldiers. The service will be for the duration of the war, but full time service will not be demanded. Eligible ages are from 18 years to 60.

OLD GERMAN GUNS

Many thousands of old German guns and relicts of the last war are being handed over by the Municipal Council for conversion into munitions. Thus this large quantity of iron and steel will shortly return to Germany from whence it originally came, but if is felt here that the return will not be welcomed.

ANZAC GENERAL MADE C-IN-C IN CRETE

CANEA, Crete, May 6 (Reuter)—Allied forces in Crete are now under the command of the New Zealand General, Major-General C. B. Freyberg, V.C., Commander-in-Chief of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

This is announced in the following Order of the Day by the Greek Prime Minister and War Minister, Dr. Emmanuel Tsouderos: "In order better to conduct the struggle which we have undertaken with our powerful ally, Great Britain, His Majesty King George and his Government have decided that the Allied troops of the island be placed under a single command."

Mr. Eden welcomed the immense step forward by the decision of the United States to send ships through the Red Sea.

LATEST NAZI DEMAND ON VICHY

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—The Nazi demand on the Vichy Government, according to reports in diplomatic circles in Washington, are for air and sea bases in Morocco, stated the NEW YORK TIMES.

The newspaper adds that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan are again at loggerheads about the extent to which the collaboration with Germany should go.

Heavy Damage In Raid On Clydeside

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—On Monday night large scale enemy air attacks were made on Britain. An Air Ministry communiqué says that CLYDESDALE was the main objective, while attacks were also made on the MERSEYSIDE and NORTHERN IRELAND. The Clydeside attack was heavy and much damage was done, but the Merseyside attack was smaller, though considerable damage was done.

Bombs were dropped on many places elsewhere, particularly in East, North-East and South-West England, but there was no concentrated attack on these areas. There were a number of casualties in Clydeside and Merseyside, but elsewhere casualties were not heavy.

Seven enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed by R.A.F. fighters during the night and one over Northern France.

MANNHEIM ATTACKED
R.A.F. attacks on WESTERN GERMANY last night were directed against industrial towns in the middle Rhine region, with MANN-



PRODUCING STEEL FASTER THAN ALL

NEW YORK, May 6 (Reuter)

—THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION, one of the greatest industrial organisations in the world, is now producing steel faster than all the steel-mills of Germany and at a rate equal to the combined productive capacity of Britain, France, and Belgium at the beginning of the war.

This amazing disclosure was made by the Corporation's Chairman, Mr. Irving Olds, and quoted in the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS.

RED ARMY REARMED

MOSCOW, May 6 (Reuter)

—M. Stalin personally attended the May 5th Graduation ceremony for the Red Army Academy students where, in a 40-minute speech, he emphasised that on the basis of experience of modern warfare, the Red Army has been re-organised and considerably rearmed.

An enthusiastic ovation greeted M. Stalin when he concluded the speech.

ORGANISATION OF FREE RUMANIANS

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)

—An organisation of Free Rumanians has been formed in London under the Chairmanship of M. Victor Cornea, called the Rumanian Democratic Committee.

It is appealing to young Rumanians to form a fighting unit to join up with the Allied forces in the war against Germany and is helping to organise the resistance to German occupation in Rumania.

The Committee is linked with the organised Democratic forces of Opposition in Rumania and with 400,000 Rumanians in the United States.

CAROL'S AbdICATION

The Committee repudiates the dictatorships at home and regards the abdication of King Carol as final.

In the post-war settlement of the Balkans, it stands for the Democratic under constitutional monarchy in Rumania.

Leaders of the Rumanian Democratic Committee, in addition to M. Cornea are L. N. Christea, N. V. Georgiu, Ipotea and D. G. Mateescu, former Economic Attaché to the Rumanian Legation in London.

Today's News Summary

IN THE HOUSE of Commons yesterday, Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary, stated that there was no truth in the malicious reports that there were differences between himself and the Chief of the Imperial General Staff over the question of sending aid to Greece.

GERMAN RAIDERS caused heavy damage to the Clydeside area on Monday night while Merseyside was again attacked. Mannheim was the principal target in North-West Germany for British bombers while Boulogne and Cologne were also visited.

THE STORY OF a clash between Herr Hitler and Mr. Matsuoka, during the Japanese Foreign Minister's visit to Berlin, is reported in an American newspaper.

THE NETHERLANDS Foreign Minister, Dr. Van Kleefens, broadcast to the people of the N.E.I. declaring that the Netherlands East Indies was prepared to fight if necessary.

IN A FIGHTING speech, Senator Pepper (Democratic) said that the time had come for America to get tough and he urged that President Roosevelt should declare a state of national emergency.

STORY OF CLASH BETWEEN HITLER & MR. MATSUOKA

The story of a clash between HERR HITLER and MR. MATSUOKA, Japanese Foreign Minister, during the latter's recent visit to Berlin, was published by the NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, says Reuter.

The story, coming from that paper's Tokyo correspondent, says that Herr Hitler raged and pounded with his fist on the table when Mr. Matsuoka refused the Fuehrer's invitation to join immediately in an attack on Britain.

The correspondent reports a member of Mr. Matsuoka's party as saying:

"Herr Hitler became heated and shouted that Britain must be defeated and was finally so carried away that it seemed he did not know to whom he was talking."

The despatch adds that the Japanese Government is increasingly resisting the demands by the eight members of the German Delegation which followed Mr. Matsuoka back to Tokyo.

TALKS IN AUSTRALIA

TOKYO, May 6 (Reuter)—Asked whether Mr. Tatsuo Kawai, Japanese Minister to Australia, had discussed definite questions with the Australian authorities envisaging a new trade agreement, Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy spokesman, asserted that Mr. Kawai had conferred on general questions regarding Japanese-Australian relations and he added that it may be "possible" the Japanese Minister had touched also on the increase of wool shipments to Japan.

Questioned whether Mr. Matsuoka will change his mind about visiting the United States, Mr. Ishii stated that he could not add to what Mr. Matsuoka had already declared.

INDO-CHINA AGREEMENT

Commenting on the Japan-Indo-China agreement, the ASAHI SHIMBUN declares that the Indo-China authorities should bear in mind the fact that they stand

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NO VISE FOR CHINESE COMING TO HONGKONG

CHUNGKING, May 6 (Central)—It is learned that Chinese seeking entry into or passing through HONGKONG no longer need any vise for their passports. This has been agreed upon between the Chinese and British Governments following negotiations.

Since the enforcement of the Immigration Ordinance in Hongkong, Chinese going to the British Colony have had to apply for vise from the local British Consulates which often incurred much delay and inconvenience. For a vise for entry into the Colony a fee of about \$6 (Chinese currency) was charged and for one for passing through it \$3.

FIRING ON SENTRYRIES

SHANGHAI, May 6 (Reuter)—A Japanese naval sentry was slightly injured in the finger when a lone Chinese gunman late last night fired on two Japanese sentries from a junk in the Soochow Creek.

After an intensive search of all boats in the vicinity, one Chinese

man fleeing was captured with the co-operation of the United States marines and the Settlement Police.

Indians In Heart Of Mountainous Northern Abyssinia

SIMLA, May 6 (Reuter)—Indian troops have now advanced some 250 miles south of ASMARA into the heart of the mountainous vastnesses of Northern Abyssinia, says a Press note.

The advance continues along winding tracks, up sides of peaks, some of which rise over 10,000 feet, through deep gorges where the enemy uses every advantage given him by the terrain in a series of desperate delaying actions.

The mountain of Amba Alagi, the present objective of the Imperial Forces, towers to 11,000 feet and over a part of the approach there is only one road. A bridgehead on the road was rapidly secured by a squadron of Indian mechanised cavalry.

A laconic description of this action by one of those who took part therein says:

"In a raid at dawn, we moved forward and reached the bridgehead without much opposition. The enemy opened a machine-gun fire which we silenced with a counter-fire. The troop then went forward, secured the feature overlooking the area and was quickly reinforced.

"Enemy colonial troops, though few in number, tried to counter-attack, but we broke up this with machine-gun fire."

The active clearing of road blocks and other obstacles by Indian sappers and miners continues and these devoted men are constantly risking their lives to maintain the speed of our advance."

CINEMAS VISITED
Meanwhile, Indian units in Asmara are fraternising with the local population, buying souvenirs and visiting cafes and cinemas.

CONTROL

NEW GOVERNOR OF BURMA

RANGOON, May 6 (Reuter)—Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, the new Governor of Burma, was sworn in today on taking up office.

SIR A. COCHRANE

Commander the Hon. Sir Archibald Cochrane, retiring Governor of Burma, and the Hon. Lady Cochrane have arrived in the Colony from Rangoon and are staying at Government House as guests of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote.

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GOVERNMENT RICE MUST BE IMMEDIATE: POOR CANNOT WAIT

BY A STAFF REPORTER

"THE GOVERNMENT'S MONOPOLY SCHEME IS FOREDOOMED TO FAILURE UNLESS THERE IS GOING TO BE BETTER SUPERVISION AND A MUCH STRICKER CONTROL THAN AT PRESENT," said a prominent Chinese merchant, when asked his opinion of the latest Government scheme to control the local rice market.

"There has as yet been no official statement as to what Government intend to do and I am therefore only able to speak on what I could gather during the last week-end.

"FARCIKAL CONTROL" "If Government simply intend to control the importation and exportation of rice, and leave the distribution in the hands of the retailers, then they have better forgot the whole idea. The existing farciakl price control should have shown Government that merely fixing the wholesale and retail prices would not remedy the situation nor curb profiteering by a long chalk."

"What I would suggest is that Government either take over the retail business as well, or else have only two qualities of rice on the market—one priced at about eight cents to a dollar and the other at about ten. No other quality should be permitted to be sold by any of the retailers."

"Another point I fail to understand," he went on to say, "is how Government arrive at the prices fixed for different grades of rice. Are the invoices and shipping documents

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ROTARY TIFFIN:

Rotarian Cressall Gives A Humorous Account Of His Experiences On The Bench In Two British Colonies

THE HONGKONG ROTARY CLUB HELD THEIR WEEKLY TIFFIN MEETING YESTERDAY WHEN THE SPEAKER was the new Pulse Judge, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall. Rotarian Cressall, who is past President of the Jaffa-Tel Aviv Rotary Club in Palestine, gave a very interesting and humorous account of his experiences on the Bench in two British Colonies, his talk being entitled "Reminiscences of a Colonial Judge in British Guiana and Palestine."

Rotarian Dr. Arthur W. Woo presided, and accepted in the course of the meeting a flag from the Bangkok Rotary Club presented by Rotarian B. C. Lawrence on behalf of Rotarian Hansen of the Bangkok Rotary Club, who was not able to be present.

Rotarian Lt.-Col. E. S. Doughty announced a decision taken by the Directors of the Hongkong Rotary Club to set aside a sum of U.S.\$2,800 to purchase an ambulance for Chungking as a donation to the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives Productive Relief Fund.

The Directors, Rotarian Doughty announced, had also authorised that a sum of £1,000 be cabled Home toward the purchase of a travelling canteen.

Guests present were Messrs. Y. K. Kan, T. S. Barnard, J. S. Bottenthal, T. S. Foo, Captain R. W. Bateman and Mr. F. J. W. Focken.

SPEAKER'S ADDRESS

Speaking on his reminiscences, Rotarian Cressall said, in part:

Litigation in the country districts of British Guiana was usually limited to trivial cases of abuse, assault and threats, and litigants did not mind paying big fees to engage the services of their favourite lawyer.

The Court sat once a week at various centres in the district and to the East Indian, who formed the largest percentage of most lawyers' customers, the Court was a kind of weekly "Wembly" where he and his family disported themselves in all their finery and engaged in fruitless litigation.

To him, forensic display was the half mark of learning and legal efficiency and he would endeavour to retain a particular advocate because of that gentleman's ability.

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 10th May, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY "pon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc."

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27784) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21828).

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PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th May, 1941.

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ARMY TENNIS LEAGUE

In the "A" Division of the Army Tennis League, 5th A.A. Regiment, R.A., defeated 8th Heavy Battery, R.A., by three sets to nil at Soo-kumpoo on Monday.

Lieut. T. A. Pearce and Sgt. Morgan (5th A.A.) beat Lieut. Watshaw and Lieut. Godfrey, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

Lieut. J. L. C. Pearce and Sgt. Davis (5th A.A.) beat Sgt. Shiflaw and Gnr. Roche, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

Bdr. Mew and Bdr. Savage (5th A.A.) beat S/Sgt. Shepherd and S/Sgt. Skinner, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.

where I duly reported to a Judicial Official that I was the new British Magistrate whom the Colonial Office had sent post haste to the Holy Land.

"Good gracious" was his reply. "We weren't expecting you for at least another two months." I found he was perfectly correct. I was not expected nor, as far as I could see, wanted; for there was no Court in which to sit, and no chambers in which to wait while a Court could be prepared.

I found the judicial system entirely different from that to which I had been accustomed, for the Ottoman law, Procedure and Practice was still the rule and many were the pitfalls waiting for the unwary English lawyer.

SENSE OF HUMOUR

The native population of British Guiana have an inordinate sense of humour and many are the instances I could quote where ugly and apparently impossible situations between parties have been smoothed over to mutual satisfaction by a humorous word from the Bench. The most difficult class of case was the "husband and wife" affair.

I remember one incident, which caused some amusement at the time. A large black female appeared before me with an undersized shrivelled up little man. Her complaint was that he had left her and refused to return home. I pointed out to the husband his responsibilities to his wife and reprimanded him for despising her. Whereupon he said "My Worship, if you had to live with this nigga woman you would not say that. I am not a deserter, Sir, I am a refugee."

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Home Soccer Programme

LONDON, May 6 (Reuters)—Following are the Home soccer fixtures for the week-end:

WAN CUP FINAL
Arsenal v. Preston.
(At Wembley)

FOOTBALL LEAGUE SOUTH
Portsmouth v. Bournemouth.
Watford v. Luton Town.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL LEAGUE
Aldershot v. Queen's Park.
Brentford v. Fulham.
Cardiff v. Chelsea.
Reading v. West Ham.
Stoke v. Northampton.

NORTHERN REGIONAL LEAGUE
Bury v. Manchester.
Chester v. Bolton.
Chesterfield v. Sheffield.
Liverpool v. Tranmere Rovers.

FOR LIVERPOOL CUP
Oldham v. Rochdale.

REGIONAL MATCH
Mansfield v. Grimsby.

COMBINED COUNTIES (CUP SEMI-FINAL)

Leeds v. Huddersfield.

LANCASHIRE CUP (SEMI-FINAL)

Burnley v. Blackpool.

OTHER MATCHES

Middlesbrough v. Sunderland.

SCOTTISH CUP FINAL

Hartlepool v. Rangers.

At Hampden Park Glasgow.

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RECREIO RINKS FOR SATURDAY

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SECOND DIVISION

R. L. Barros, F. X. Monteiro, A. V. Barros, O. P. Remedios (skip); G. A. Ribeiro, N. Batista, F. A. Xavier, J. R. Soares (skip); L. A. Rosario, F. A. Remedios (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

G. A. Plana, C. A. Marques, F. B. A. Marques, P. A. Yvanovich (skip); P. d'Almeida, E. Cunha, E. Alves, M. A. Carvalho (skip); A. A. Lopes, R. A. Campos, M. Mendonca, M. Alarcon (skip).

ELECTRIC RINKS

The following rinks will represent the Hongkong Electric Recreation Club on Saturday:-

W. Macfarlane, R. F. Gregory, J. F. Barron, L. de Rome (skip); R. A. Owens, W. Stonehouse, A. G. Gardner, A. F. Paul (skip); A. R. Tarbuck, J. R. Way, R. C. Butler, C. E. Gahagan (skip).

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

FOOTBALL — South China v. Royal Scots, at Caroline Hill, 5.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS — First Division: Kowloon v. Kowloon Docks R.C., Police R.C. v. Civil Service, Recreio "A" v. Indian R.C., Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Kowloon B.G.C. "B". Second Division: Kowloon Tong v. Recreio, Prison O.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Hongkong F.C. v. Craigmawer, Tufcon R.C. v. Kowloon F.C. Third Division: Kowloon F.C. v. Craigmawer, Indian R.C. v. Hongkong F.C., Recreio v. Police R.C., Hongkong Electric v. H.K.C.C.

RACING — Open Doubles, final.—S. A. and H.D. Rumjahn (holders).

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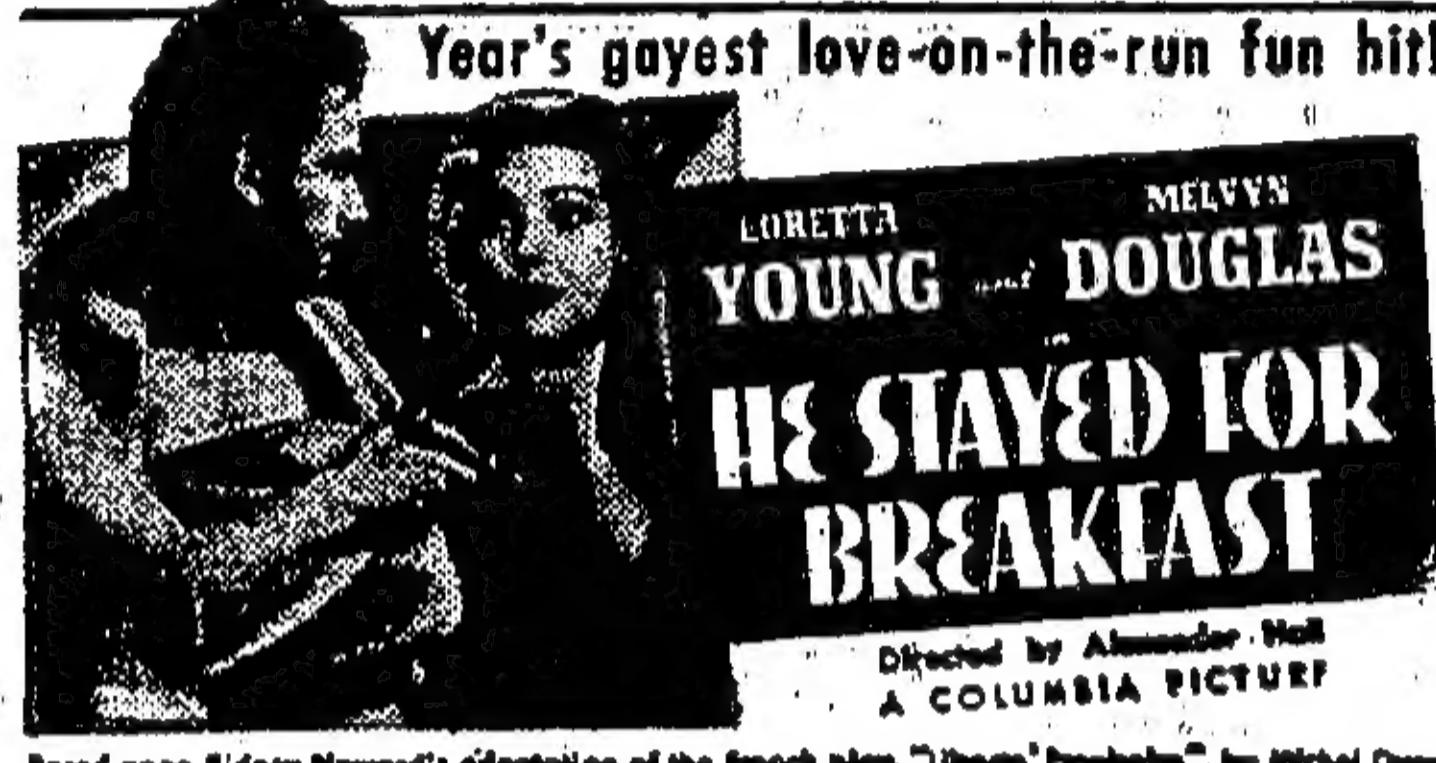
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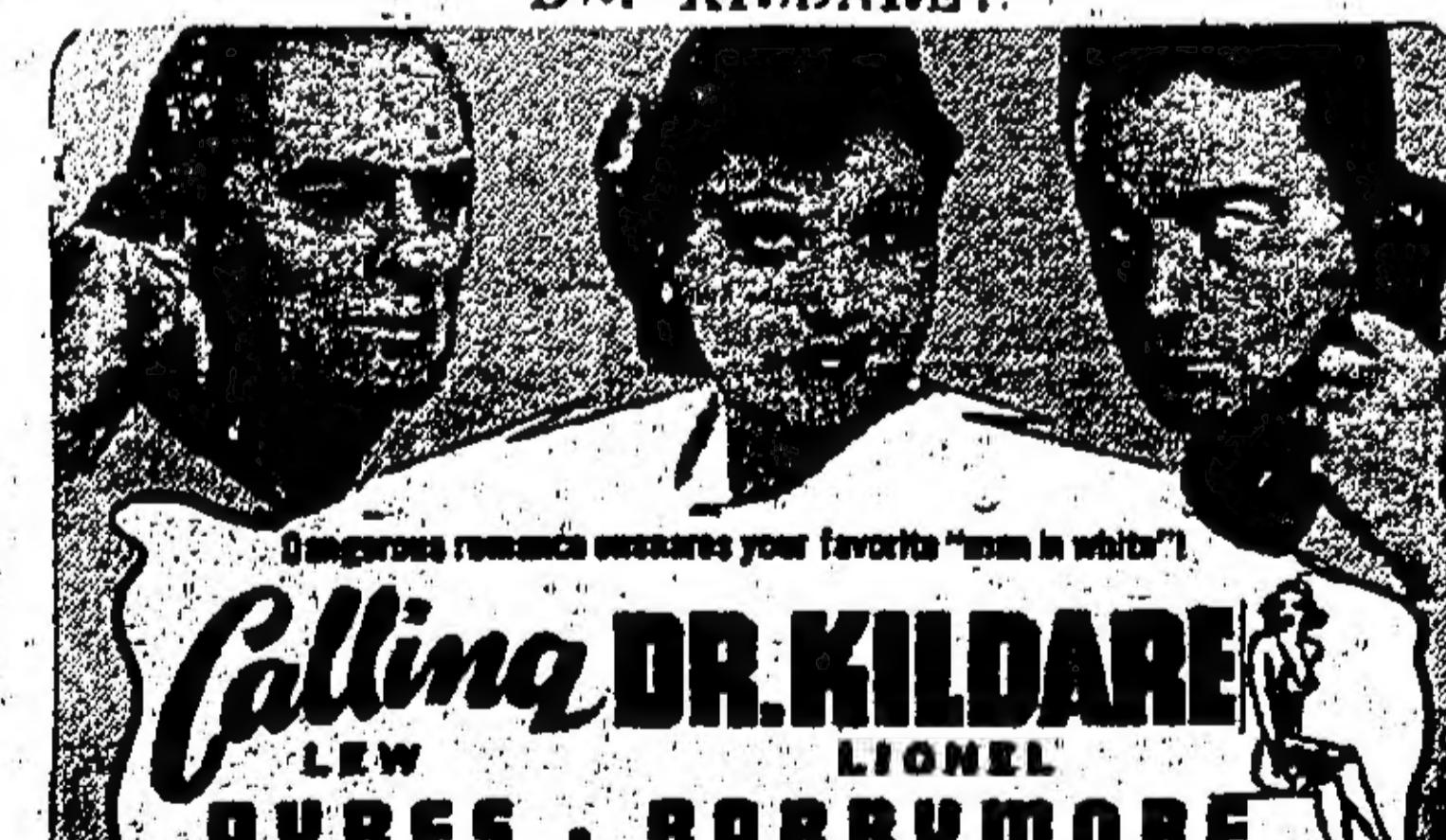
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COMING EVENTS

MAY

7-Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 2.38 p.m.
Low: 12.14 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.
Annual Meeting of Douglas Steamship Company, P. and Q. Ridge, 11 a.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Film Show at S. and S. Home, 8.30 p.m.

Presentation to Dean Wilson by Northumberland and Durham Ascension Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. War Work 9 a.m. to noon.

8-Tides: High 7.01 a.m. and 7.13 p.m. Low: 12.44 a.m. and 1.17 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

H.K. Eugenics League, Gloucester Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

Presentation to Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

H.K. Philharmonic Society, Annual Meeting, H.K. Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

H.K. Y's Men's Club, Ninth Anniversary Dinner, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m.

Army Athletics, Shamshui Po.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong, 5.30 p.m.

9-Tides: High 7.46 a.m. and 8.11 p.m. Low: 1.28 a.m. and 2.18 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.

H.E. Governor of Macao due in H.K.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-12 noon.

Art Exhibition at Hotel Cecil.

10-Tides: High 8.18 a.m. and 8.18 p.m. Low: 2.04 a.m. and 2.58 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.46 a.m.; Sunset: 6.54 p.m.

Women's Advisory Committee of New Life Movement Roller Skating Contest, Kowloon Skating Rink.

Softball League Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 6.30 a.m. to 3 a.m.

Fifth Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 2 p.m.

Art Exhibition at Hotel Cecil.

Fox-Trots—Chloe; Jam Session Fox-Trots—And the Angels Sing; Rose of Washington Square; Fox-Trots—I'll Always be in Love with You; Make Believe; Fox-Trots—One Sweet Letter from You; Scatterbrain; Fox-Trot—Can't You Tell?

2.15 Close Down

4.45 Indian Programmes

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations

6.32 Selections from Light Opera

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English Maids; Red Rose—Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Orchestra.

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6	Above	27	Moist
7	Round the edges of	28	Turkish title
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New Variety

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Military Band Concert with Dennis Noble (Baritone).

Home Guards — March (Welsh); Marching Thru Georgia—Quick March (arr. Miller) — Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards. The Shade of the Palm (from "Floradora"); Star of my Soul (from "The Geisha") — Dennis Noble (Baritone) with Orchestra. Portrait of a Toy Soldier (Ewing); March of the Toys (from "Babes in Toyland") — Foden's Motor Works Band. So well go no more a-roving (Byron and White) — Dennis Noble (Baritone) with piano. Amparito Roca—Spanish March (Tejedor); The Orchestra of H.M. Royal Marines.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Musical Comedy "Please Teacher."

Bobby Howes with Company and the London Hippodrome Orchestra & Chorus.

1.18 Violin Solos by Albert Sande.

"L'Heure Exquise" (Hahn); The Violin Song (from "Tina") — The Child and his Dancing Doll (Jonny Heyenkens); Spanish Serenade (Jonny Heyenkens) — assisted by J. Ryfield (piano) & J. Samchini (Cello).

1.30 Beater and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music by Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Chloe; Jam Session Fox-Trots—And the Angels Sing; Rose of Washington Square; Fox-Trots—I'll Always be in Love with You; Make Believe; Fox-Trots—One Sweet Letter from You; Scatterbrain; Fox-Trot—Can't You Tell?

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10.00 London Relay — "Correspondence Column"—Sidney Hornblow.

10.15 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal and Piano) and Dorothy Lamour (Vocal).

Blue Moon (Hart-Rodgers); You & the Night and the Music (from revue "Stop Press") — Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano. Panamians Film "Swing High, Swing Low"; On A Tropic Night (film "Tropic Holiday") — Dorothy Lamour (Vocal) W. Orch. I'm in love with the Honourable Mrs. So and So (film "Society Lawyer") — Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano. I Gotta Right to sing the Blues (Koehler-Arien) — Dorothy Lamour (Vocal) with Orchestra.

10.35 Dance Music

Quick Step — This Can't Be Love (film "Up and Doing"); Fox-Trot — When Night Is Through—Joe Loss & His Band; Rumba-Caramba; Pas-d'Alfonso—Tejedor and His Orch.

Fox-Trots — You're a Lucky Guy; You're Just a No Account — Louis Armstrong and His Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—Bon Voyage, Cherie; Waltz — Love Never Grows Old—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

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Turkish Mediation Offer To Britain And Iraq

SUCCESSFUL INFANTRY PATROL ACTIVITY ROUND HABBANIYAH

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter) — It is now confirmed here that the Turkish Government have offered to mediate between the British and Iraqi Governments, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent. The British Government, while greatly appreciating the friendly motive of the Turkish Government, have been compelled to point out that the essential prerequisite of entering into any negotiations is the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Habbaniyah.

The Egyptian Government has decided to send a message to the Iraqi Government, says a statement issued by the Egyptian Prime Minister's office last night, according to the Cairo wireless. The statement adds: "Egypt, which is tied to Iraq by bonds of sympathy and friendship, hopes very sincerely that the causes of the incident which started this conflict will be removed, and that the usual good relations between Iraq and her great ally will be re-established."

BRITISH TAKE THE INITIATIVE AT TOBRUK

HEAVY ENEMY TANK LOSSES REPORTED

CAIRO, May 6 (Reuter) — On the night of May 3-4, our troops at Tobruk launched a counter-attack, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy and broke up preparations which were being made for a renewal of attack, says a communiqué.

In the Sollum area, our mechanised forces were again active. Several enemy detachments were successfully engaged with losses in personnel and armoured fighting vehicles.

A military spokesman described the position at Tobruk yesterday as "Both sides are still licking their wounds."

DEFENCES BREACHED

On the first day of this attack, he added, the enemy made a breach of 2,000 yards like a blister in the south-west part of the outer perimeter but new British defence lines have been built across this point which was some miles from the inner defence line.

The spokesman said that it had quite probable that the enemy had lost a total of 50 tanks so far.

Communications by sea remained open and a number of prisoners had already been shipped.

Scharnhorst, Gneisenau Bombed

Direct Hits Scored On Both Cruisers

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter) — A great load of heavy armour-piercing bombs was carried to Brest on Sunday night by the R.A.F. to drop in two Nazi battle-cruisers, the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, states the Air Ministry news service.

The continued presence of the battle-cruisers at Brest after five weeks suggests, adds the news service, that either they have developed some grave defect while at sea, or what is more probable, that Brest proved to be very poor shelter.

They made for port late in March to be refuelled and to munition. These tasks can normally be completed in 24 hours.

DIRECT HITS

On Sunday night they showed up clearly under the moon and pilots report very accurate bombing with direct hits on both cruisers.

Sticks of the heaviest bombs also fell repeatedly across the dry dock in which one vessel was berthed and about the jetty where the other was tied up.

RAIDERS ATTACKED

In one crowded hour on Sunday night over an enemy occupied aerodrome in occupied France, from which German bombers attack Britain, one R.A.F. pilot attacked five Nazi raiders returning to their base. Although he was unable to see the result of his attacks, states the Air Ministry News Service, five of the enemy planes must be regarded as seriously damaged.

GIBRALTAR EXODUS

GIBRALTAR, May 6 (Reuter) — It is officially announced here that further evacuations of civilians are taking place shortly.

Lists numbering over 1,000 yesterday included many Spanish refugees.

INCREASED AMERICAN SUPPLIES FOR CHINA

CALCUTTA, May 6 (Reuter) — En route from Chungking to Cairo, where he and Major Thomas of the United States Marine Corps will establish headquarters as military observers, Captain James Roosevelt, the President's eldest son, arrived here yesterday.

He stated that when he reaches Cairo, he and Major Thomas will receive instructions from Washington concerning their future programme.

Captain Roosevelt stated that China throughout has been receiving American supplies which would be increased in the near future.

He told Reuter that the "morale of the Chinese is excellent. They are determined to carry on to victory."

During his four-day stay in Chungking, he met the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

EIGHT RAIDERS DESTROYED

MERSEYSIDE AGAIN OBJECTIVE OF LUFTWAFFE

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter) — The German air force lost at least eight bombers on Sunday night to the fire of British night fighters, anti-aircraft guns and a destroyer when the principal targets were Northern Ireland and north-west England, including — for the fourth night in succession — Merseyside.

The destroyer *Southdown*, it became known last night, raised the night's total to just half that of Saturday night when she was attacked by a twin-engined German bomber.

"In the Basra area, our troops remain in occupation without interference," said a communiqué.

PATROL ACTIVITY

Successful infantry patrols from Habbaniyah were carried out throughout Sunday night, says an additional Middle East communiqué issued yesterday.

The communiqué adds that on Sunday there was intermittent shelling of the R.A.F. station at Habbaniyah by Iraqi artillery. It was not of a serious nature owing to constant air patrols maintained by British fighters and bombers.

British armoured cars attacked the Iraqi desert fort of Rutbah, states a Beirut message quoted by the German news agency, which claims that the attack was successfully repelled by Iraqi troops.

POSITION REVIEWED

There is no evidence of the arrival of German aircraft or officers, it was stated in a review of the position in Iraq in military circles here.

The spokesman estimated the total strength of the Iraqi air force at 120 of all types, hardly any of them modern.

The unarmed party captured at Rutbah, mentioned in yesterday's British communiqué, consisted of three or four British officers and a few sappers, the remainder being local labourers.

They were captured by a mobile Iraqi force.

DELICATE SITUATION

The spokesman said the situation around Habbaniyah was "a little difficult and delicate." Apart from it Basra and Habbaniyah, the British had only a certain number of construction gangs working on the Bagdad-Halaf road which passes through Rutbah.

JAPANESE POLICY TOWARDS AMERICA

TOKYO, May 6 (Reuter) — The Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsukata, on Monday reiterated his peace policy towards America. "My peace" policy towards the United States remains unaltered since it was enunciated at the last session of the Imperial Diet.

"My motto is 'sincerity moves everything—even Heaven' and my line of action is based on this motto, though it cannot be helped should sincerity fail to move the United States."

CAIRO, May 6 (Reuter) — Enemy aircraft flew over Alexandria between 10 and 1130 p.m. on Sunday night. There was no causalities or damage.

GENERAL

Indiscriminate "Blitz" On Belfast: Hospital Damaged

BELFAST, May 6 (Reuter) — For the second time in three weeks, the Luftwaffe crossed the Irish Sea on Sunday night to strike indiscriminately at this patriotic Northern Ireland city, writes Reuter's Staff reporter.

"Aid" the misery of ruined homes, fortitude mingled with tremendous relief that the casualties were not as heavy as at first feared. The blow was, however, severe as the official communiqué shows with its reference to "much damage to commercial, industrial and residential property."

At a hospital hit in the previous raid and damaged again on Sunday night, I have just been told of the gallantry of the nurses who shepherded to safety their patients — mostly women and children — as flames swept part of the building. Their calm courage was matched by that of the firemen, A.R.P. workers and ambulance drivers who battled through the night to check the fires and to bring in the injured, and by those ordinary men and women whose homes were gone but who, since they felt that they were in this war as completely as any part of Britain now, are not dismayed because they felt its full severity.

Only a few hours after the sun rose on the battered city, tidying up proceeded as swiftly as possible.

LIVERPOOL CARRIES ON

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter) — After four days and nights of raids Liverpool is carrying on. Following a special meeting of the city's Emergency Committee, special arrangements were considered and a statement was issued that Liverpool had passed through a serious trial and the Committee expressed its great appreciation of the spirit in which the citizens had met the crisis.

It was a great inspiration, the Committee added, to know that Liverpool had not been behind other cities in its realisation of the importance of maintaining the steadiness of civic life.

ROTTERDAM TO BE AVENGED

TWO GERMAN PLANES WERE SHOT DOWN DURING DAYLIGHT YESTERDAY WHEN A SMALL NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT CROSSED THE SOUTH-EAST COAST OF BRITAIN.

Bombs were dropped at a point in the south-east and there were bursts of machine gun fire but little damage was done and there were no casualties.

One plane was destroyed by an R.A.F. pilot who was merely out testing his guns. He and his Squadron Leader were making for a suitable place to fire cannon shells when two German fighters were spotted.

It is now known that in the attack on Merseyside, on Friday night, another enemy bomber was shot down by anti-aircraft fire, making a total of six destroyed that night.

ROTTERDAM TO BE AVENGED

BATAVIA, May 6 (Reuter) — With the object of Prince Bernhard's Amalgamated Dutch East Indies Spitfire Fund in sight, ensuring the purchase of a squadron of Rotterdam bombers to avenge the city's destruction, efforts are now being made to raise money to purchase a number of motor torpedo-boats for the Royal Dutch Navy to assist the struggle at sea.

ROTTERDAM TO BE AVENGED

BATAVIA, May 6 (Reuter) — The Netherlands Ministers, Dr. van Kleef and M. Weltevreden, have arranged to visit Australia on May 12 for six days, thence to New Zealand on May 18, and on May 24 they will proceed by air to San Francisco.

British Raid On Lofoten Inspires Norway

The joint British-Norwegian attack of last week on Austevogoya, one of the Lofoten Islands off Northern Norway, has had a telling effect on the Nazis and their puppets. White houses at Svolvaer were still burning—ordered set afire by Nazi Reichskommissar Terboven as a punitive measure—the Norwegian Nazi party, Nasjonal Samling, vigorously kept on defending the Germans and attacking loyal Norwegians. The Quisling press has predicted the introduction of a system of hostages and "terrifying reprisals" against civilians in order to prevent similar incidents.

Following Reichskommissar Terboven's visit to the scene of the daring raid, the German propaganda machine in Norway suddenly changed tactics.

NAZI ANGER

Editorials in the Nazi controlled press, which up to last Thursday had insisted that the raid had only hampered Norwegian fishermen in getting food for their country and that the entire population was angry over the raid, have now changed their tune and have published a German announcement that Svolvaer and its inhabitants will be given severe punishment, thus revealing the real state of mind of the islanders.

The German propaganda pertaining to the Lofoten raid is because of settling everything in regard to the raid themselves, leaving to the Norwegian Nazis only the task of defending the measures taken by the Germans against the population of Svolvaer.

The raid has been extremely stimulating to Norwegian patriots, it is learned from authoritative sources. Besides creating a near panic among local Nazi leaders in Northern Norway, the joint British

ABYSSINIAN SITUATION

CAIRO, May 6 (Reuter) — A communiqué states that in the Debub area of Abyssinia, Indian troops occupied Emadani and Ulether on May 3. During the course of this operation, a heavy counter-attack by the enemy in greater superior forces was driven back leaving an officer and 250 other ranks prisoners in our hands.

"Yesterday further important positions were occupied and the advance upon Amba Alagi is steadily proceeding.

"A large number of enemy troops have surrendered. The number has not yet been counted.

"In the southern districts further progress is reported by all our columns operating in pursuit of the enemy."

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MONGKOK TRAGEDY

19-year-old Man Accused Of Killing Niece

The tragic story of how an uncle was alleged to have murdered his two young nieces in revenge for a quarrel with his brother over a dollar was related before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when 19-year-old CHIU SIN-CHING was charged with the murder of a girl.

The girls were Chiu Mo-ching, eight years of age, and Chiu Mo-ye, aged six.

MAGISTRATE WARNS SUMMONSEES

Summonsees were warned by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday that warrants will in future be issued for their arrest if they twice fail to appear to answer their summonses.

The remark was made during the hearing of traffic summonses yesterday when a number of summonsees failed to turn up. Mr. Macnamara said that cases would become endless if the summonsees did not answer the summonses.

However, no warrants were issued yesterday, but the Magistrate warned that they will be issued in future.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGES CONTINUED

SUBMISSION BY DEFENCE

The case for the plaintiff was concluded at the continued hearing yesterday, of the claim for damages suffered from an alleged breach of contract brought before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court by the Ming Cheong Hong, contractors, of No. 128, Belcher Street, ground floor.

The claim was against the Fu Hua Trading Co., importers and exporters of tea, of No. 33, Praya Kennedy Town, represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C., and Mr. Lo Tung-fan, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan.

Defendants brought a counter-claim for \$1,904.87 as being the amount of damages and expenses they incurred by having to employ workmen to effect their own repair as the result of plaintiff's refusal to perform the contract on or about Mar. 28, 1940.

EVIDENCE GIVEN

Evidence was given by Sung Ming-ning, partner of the plaintiff firm. He said that the firm was formed in June, 1939, for the purpose of repairing boxes for the Fu Hua firm. At the end of May he was approached by Chan Pak-kwai who told him that the Fu Hua had tea boxes which required repair. A contract was drawn up and signed on June 15.

From June 17 to end of month he made use of 693 men and received half payment.

Cross-examined by Mr. D'Almada, witness said that he had been in tea packing business and knew Chan Pak-kwai.

Witness said the overhead expenses with 80 workmen were about \$2,100 and admitted that by these figures it would be a losing contract but he had expected that the minimum number of boxes would be exceeded. He had been told by Chan that a million boxes were expected to arrive.

Witness denied that the contract was such an attractive one that he was prepared to repair the \$4,000 boxes in the godown without charge.

NO COMPLAINTS

Bun Sack-kwan stated, in evidence, that he was the manager of the plaintiff firm since 1939 and had charge of the correspondence and supervision of the workmen.

In answer to Mr. D'Almada, witness said that he had never received any complaints from defendant firm about the workmen.

Opening the case for the defence Mr. D'Almada said that the first clause in the contract as agreed by Mr. Potter was badly drawn up and Mr. D'Almada suggested that the first sentence in that clause was the cause of all the difficulties in the case.

Further hearing was adjourned to this morning.

ON WAY TO SAN FRANCISCO



DENTAL SERVICE FOR H.K. SCHOOLS

RECOMMENDATIONS BY BOARD OF EDUCATION

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Friday, May 2, when a vote of thanks to Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, S.J., who retired from the Board on April 26 after 14 years' valuable service was passed with acclamation.

The following members were present: Mr. C. G. Souls, M.A., Chairman (Director of Education); Mr. J. Ralston, M.A. (Senior Inspector of Schools); Mr. Y. P. Law, B.A. (Inspector of Vernacular Schools); Mr. T. R. Rowell, B.Sc. (Principal, Northcote Training College); Prof. L. Forster, M.A. (Professor of Education, Hongkong University); Mr. B. Wylie, M.A. el Arrelli, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. D. J. Sloss, C.B.E., M.A. Miss E. S. Atkins, Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher, S.J.; Mr. G. A. Goodban, M.A., and Mr. J. M. Wilson, B.Sc. (Secretary).

DENTAL SERVICE

The Board considered the present position of the school dental service and recommended (1) that its extension in the first instance should be to selected urban subsidised schools and (2) that Government be pressed to provide an adequate dental service for all schools.

The question of Physical Training and Government instructors in the Grant schools was discussed. The Board was informed of the steps taken towards the provision of additional school playgrounds.

Three matters relating to vernacular education were referred to the appropriate Sub-Committee of the Board.

BIRD & FLOWER PAINTINGS

EXHIBITION AT HOTEL CECIL

The Urban Council held its fortnightly meeting yesterday, the Deputy Director of Health Services, Dr. N. C. MacLeod, being in the Chair, and the members present being the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C., Mr. A. el Arrelli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. B. Wong-Tape, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, M.B.E., Dr. A. M. Rodriguez, Mr. C. J. Ho (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping-tseung (Asst. Secretary).

Applications were refused for an eating house licence for No. 136, Elu Kiang Street, ground floor; an eating house licence for No. 51, Main Street, Stanley; an offensive trade licence for No. 25, Praya Kennedy Town; an offensive trade licence for No. 34, Kennedy Town, ground floor; an offensive trade licence for No. 85, Oak Street, ground floor; a bakehouse licence for No. 12, Queen's Road West, ground floor; a food shop licence for No. 58, Connaught Road Central, ground floor; a food shop licence for No. 31, Connaught Road Central, ground floor; and a food shop licence for No. 29, Connaught Road Central, ground floor.

Licences granted during the past fortnight are classified as follows:

Food Factories 1, Food Preserving Establishments 2, Food Shops 2, Eating Houses 1, Restaurants 2, Advertisements (Permission to erect neon signs or advertising boards) 2.

AMATEUR CINEMA CLUB MEETING

The meeting of the Hongkong Amateur Cinema Club which was to have been held today has been postponed to Monday, May 18, when a programme of films, namely, "War In Europe" and a Comedy will be shown at the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. commencing at 7 p.m.

MR. AW BOON-HAW AIDS SQUATTERS

Confirmation of the rumours current in town that the Chinese gentleman seen in Tai Hang village on Saturday evening distributing money to those squatters whose huts were burnt down on April 28 was acting on behalf of Mr. Aw Boon-haw, the "Tiger Balm" philanthropist fame, was obtained by the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday from his attorney, Mr. Ip Kwai-chung.

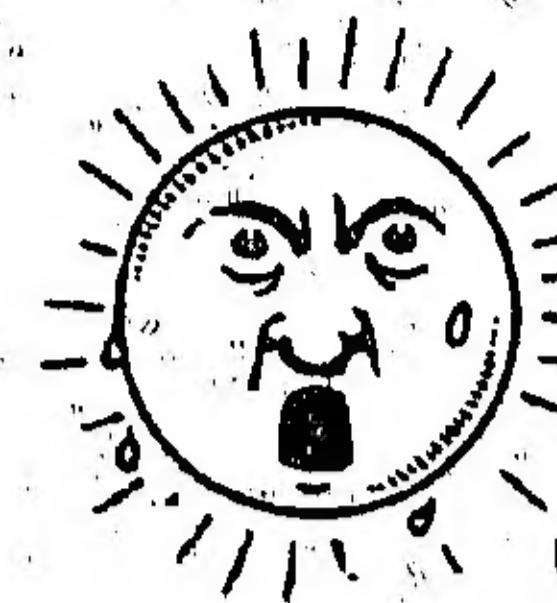
It was further learnt that assistance was only given to those whose huts were burnt down and not to those whose huts were demolished by the authorities.

Panama Restrictions On Chinese

CHUNGKING, May 6 (Central) — Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is showing deep concern over the Chinese who have been forced to return to China owing to the new restrictions imposed by the Panama Government.

He has instructed the Secretariat of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters to send a telegram to Mr. Chow Chi-kang, Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Overseas Affairs, for transmission to over 100 Chinese who have arrived in Hongkong, expressing concern over their conditions and commanding their patriotic fervour.

GENERAL



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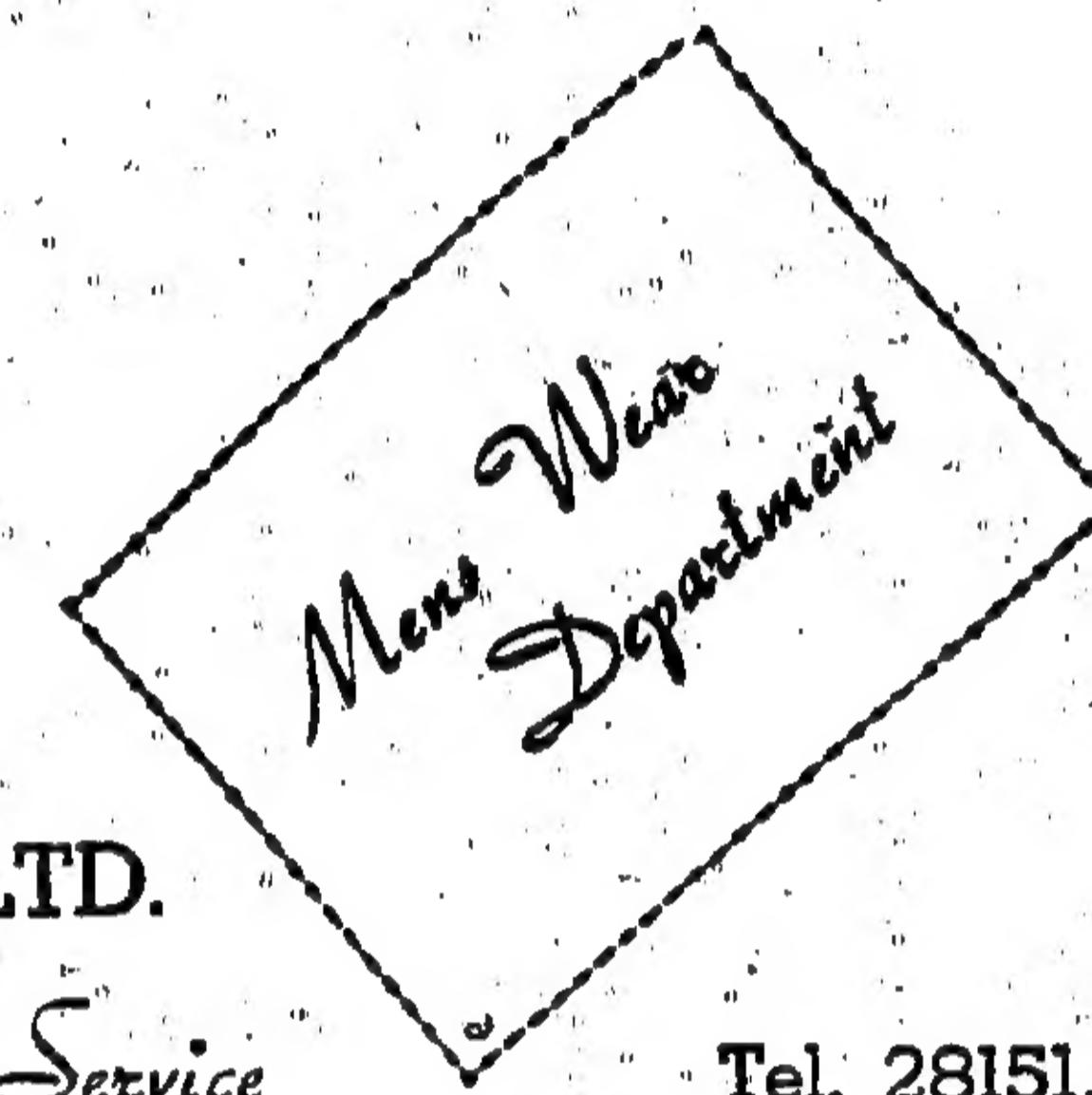
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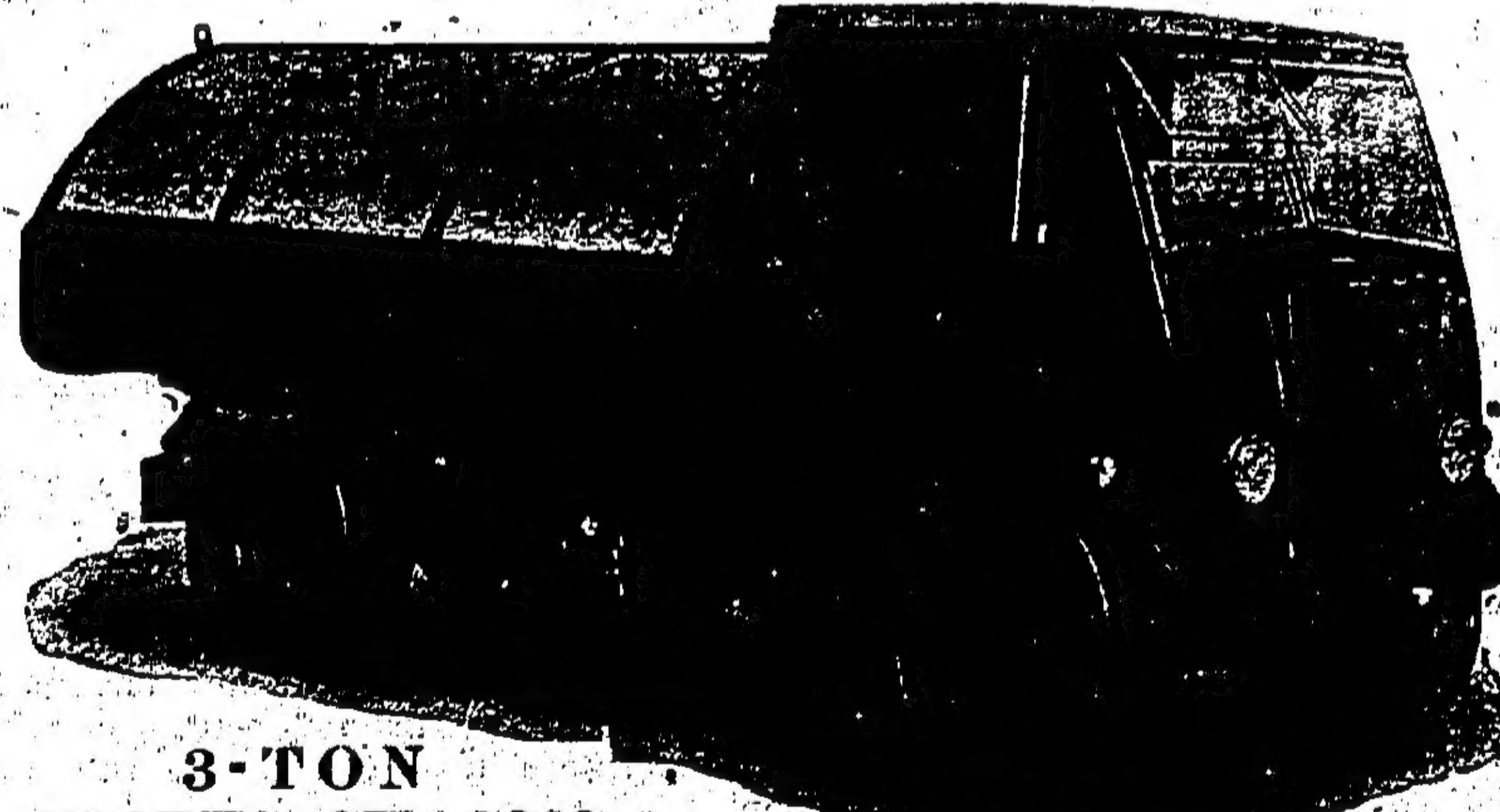
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STANLEY V. BOXER,
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30th April, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 7th May to the 21st May, 1941, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
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Hong Kong, 30th April, 1941.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LTD.

The Fifty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 2nd May to Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941 both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 24th April, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG & YAUMATI FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office at the Jordan Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon, on Saturday, the 17th May, 1941 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Board of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to 17th May, 1941, both days inclusive.

LAU TAK PO,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1941.

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EDITORIAL

KOWLOON WOOD SALE



Picture shows heaps of fir tree wood on sale yesterday. (King's Studio).

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STIMULUS TO U.S. AID FOR BRITAIN

HOW FAR is the United States off from actual participation in the war on Britain's side? There is every justification for this question being asked today, as America's role and her determination to play it as the "arsenal of democracy" becomes more and more sharpened and clarified. Political commentators everywhere agree that never before has the subject of behind-the-lines support for belligerent nations become so vital as it is today.

Indeed, the actual battle front has been made more dependent on the assembly line than in any previous war by reason of the speed with which military operations are capable of being conducted by mechanised means. The President of the United States and his people have come to realise this only too well. Every public utterance by him, and by those who think with him, has helped to give a stimulus to that aid which America has pledged herself to give Britain and her allies "until total victory has been won." This stimulus has moved the country closer than ever to actual participation in the war, for, in the President's own words, spoken only last Sunday, "the United States is ever ready to fight again for the existence of democracy in the world."

IN SPITE of the barbaric exultation which Herr Hitler showed over his recent victories in the Balkans, he could not conceal from the world his uneasiness over the effect of this persistently increasing stimulus to U.S. aid for Britain, when he harangued the Reichstag on Sunday. His attempts to belittle this assistance were futile and he was forced to urge the people of Germany to greater efforts—for what? So as to provide the German soldier with "still better weapons this year and next year"—a very clear indication that he fears that the weight of superiority which he enjoys in the equipment of his war machine will be lost when the all-out aid which the United States is giving Britain takes effect "this year and next year." The American people have thus assumed this responsibility of seeing that Britain and her allies win this war—a responsibility which they do not want to shirk even if it comes to actual participation in the hostilities. The stimulus given to the American people by their leaders has made it possible for them to gear up the country's productive effort for the one task on hand of defending democracy.

THE PEOPLE of the United States, therefore, do not want much preparing for the final decision, when it is made by their leaders. They have al-

ALLEVIATING HARSHSHIP OF COLONY POOR

Good Response To Cheap Sale Of Fuel

The large number of Chinese men and women seen carrying great quantities of fir tree branches along Nathan Road from an early hour yesterday attracted considerable attention and aroused much speculation as to why they were not arrested by the Police.

The reason for what appeared to be an open defiance of the officers of the law was not far to seek—all the men and women possessed official permission to own the amount of wood they were carrying, for yesterday was the first day of the cheap sale of fuel undertaken by the Chinese YMCA, acting as agents for the Hong Kong Government Stores Controller, to alleviate the hardship of the poor brought about by the high cost of living.

As the sale of this wood was primarily for the benefit of the poor all precautions had to be taken against exploitation. The organisers decided that every person intending to purchase this cheap-priced fuel had to register at the YMCA, Waterloo Road.

When a Hongkong Daily Press reporter arrived at the distributing centre, a large crowd was seen gathered around the registration desk placed outside the entrance of the "T", with the gentleman in charge patiently explaining that any quantity from ten to 50 cents (the limit was \$1 for the first day) might be bought but that no purchases could be completed until the next day. In other words, those wanting to buy must register a day in advance.

HEAPS AND HEAPS

On the following day those who have registered will be issued with a numbered sales ticket and a pass to enter the ground adjoining the main buildings where heaps and heaps of these tree branches will be laid out, as it was yesterday. To each heap will be a numbered piece of paper denoting that that heap belongs to the holder of the pass with the corresponding number.

The gentleman in charge of the sales is the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, of St. Andrew's Church, while Mr. Chu K. Lam of the Chinese YMCA looks after the numbering of the piles. Both these gentlemen, and their voluntary

ready acknowledged it by their determination to make the support which is now going out to Britain effective. It is their responsibility now to prevent defeat and to ensure victory. To them it is a job that is worth every sacrifice that they may be called upon to bear. What is particularly noteworthy in this American resolve not to permit the domination of the world by any one nation is that no coercion or arbitrary methods were used to make it acceptable to the people. The President and his advisers brought no pressure to bear on public opinion and no attempt was made to stifle a full ventilation of views held by all shades of thought in the United States. The opposition to the country shouldering this unprecedented responsibility proved unavailing to stem the surge of opinion against the barbarity of the Totalitarian system which the Axis Powers were seeking to impose on the world. This opinion has gained impetus from day to day and it is not so very difficult to answer the question with which we began this article: How far is the United States off from actual participation in the war on Britain's side?

PRESENTATION TO VERY REV. J. L. WILSON

Farewell Party At St. Andrew's

The St. Andrew's Church Hall was the scene of a pleasant function last night, when members and friends of the Church gathered to bid farewell to the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Bishop-Elect of Singapore, who is leaving the Colony soon to take up his new post.

As "an appreciation of what he has done for St. Andrew's," a presentation of an antique porcelain vase of the Kang Hsi Dynasty was made to the Dean.

SAME WISDOM

Mr. A. C. Jeffreys, speaking on behalf of the congregation, assured the Bishop-Elect of their regards for him, and said that he was sure that in his new office, Dean Wilson would bring the same measure of wisdom and forbearance to the people of Singapore.

Dean Wilson suitably replied.

The Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Acting Vicar, presided.

The entertainment programme consisted of a one-sketch comedy play by members of the R.A.M.C. community singing, with Mrs. Hansch at the piano, guitar solos by Cpl. J. H. Harvey and other musical items.

Tea and refreshments were served.

CHINESE YOUTH DAY

Letter Sent To American Students

The following letter was sent to the American Students' Union, of New York, by the Chinese Youth League, the University Students' Union and the Youths' War Relief Association in connexion with Chinese Youth Day on May 4:

The American Student Union, New York,
U. S. A.

Dear friends,—We have great pleasure to inform you that May 4 is the Chinese Youth Day. Twenty-two years ago today, a large group of students at Peking, now called Peiping, staged a demonstration, warning the government not to accept the infamous Twenty-One Demands of Japan. The movement succeeded in bringing about a thorough awakening of the people and building up a new China.

During the War of Resistance, many Chinese youths have dedicated their lives to the cause of their mother country. Some voluntarily take up arms on the front, and in the "occupied areas" they act as guerrillas to harass the enemy. They endure every hardship to perform their duties. The young girls join the ambulance corps to attend to the sick and wounded. In the rear, many participate in propaganda work, while others offer service to the refugees. A great number of Overseas Chinese go to the interior to engage in large-scale productions. Though China fights with poor equipment, yet the patriotism of the people and the morale of the troops have shown an auspicious sign unprecedented since the war commenced. Thus we are entitled to believe that the ultimate victory will be ours.

We thank you very much for your deep sympathy and material assistance. We fervently hope that all American, British and Chinese youths will co-operate to fight for a new world order.

Very cordially yours,

The Chinese Youth League, H.K.
The Union Students' Union.
The Youths' War Relief Assn.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING IN LONDON

MR. MENZIES:

"One of the things they are saying this week is that Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, has had to leave us and return to Australia," said MR. HOWARD MARSHALL, B.B.C. commentator, when he broadcast from London on Monday in the series "NEWS FROM HOME."

Mr. Marshall said that Mr. Menzies had proved a wise and valuable counsellor in the present difficult times.

"He was not only wise, but heartening," continued Mr. Marshall. "There is a vigorous way about him which we like and which was constantly stimulating. He was not influenced by any party allegiance in this country and he made us realise the significance of the whole-hearted support of the dominions in the war effort. This has given us cause for pride and gratitude."

UNITED FRONT:

"We have been made all the more conscious of our united front against Hitlerism. The Greek reverse—don't let us pretend that it was not a reverse—has turned our thoughts from the struggle at home to the far wider range of the war and the immense opposition that Herr Hitler challenges in this attempt of his at world domination."

"It is only natural here for the ordinary man to see the battle as a battle between the Germans and ourselves. The battle to us is concentrated here when we hear the sirens go and then suddenly Greece, Abyssinia and other places spring into the news, but we know that there can be only one end to it."

"That was emphasised recently by President Roosevelt who said that democracy

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1941.

HERR HITLER'S HOPES AND FEARS AS SHOWN IN HIS RECENT SPEECH

Emphasising that the success of strategy must depend to a very great extent on an understanding of the enemy's designs and that strategy covers not only the military but the economic field, MAJOR LEWIS HASTINGS, B.B.C. military commentator, broadcast from London yesterday on what the British had learned about Herr Hitler's hopes and fears.

due to consequences of the blockade.

HITLER'S FEAR

"Now I think we can see what is in Herr Hitler's mind. He makes it clearer still when he says: 'Force of arms will never make us yield.' So this fear is still there and lurking. Every German remembers the story of the last war. Towns and territories occupied all over Europe and the illusion of certain triumph maintained up to the last moment."

"And then, in one crash, the whole structure collapsed. So this reference to 1918 is a reference to the secret dread that haunts every German mind. Herr Hitler may count his gains in Europe, but he is thinking of this island—he is thinking of the Atlantic and of the immense material production of the United States, and he knows as well as we do that the main battle is there."

"Before leaving Herr Hitler's speech, a word may be said about his boast that the German losses in the Balkan campaign were about 5,000. On the other hand, I have not accepted the exaggerated estimate made of enemy casualties in this campaign."

"Two things have been evident on the new form of enemy attack. The men engaged in a spear-head attack by mechanised troops are comparatively few. The German method is rapid penetration and as I have said previously, an onslaught from the air may create havoc among vehicles without much loss of life."

THE NEAR EAST

"Now to turn to the Near East," continued Major Hastings. "In Iraq our first reaction has been to attack the hostile aerodromes. To deny them to the enemy is of first importance."

"There are reports from German sources of troop-carrying planes taking troops to help the usurper there. These reports must be treated with caution, but if the Vichy Government makes this possible, it will be a breach of faith in spite of Marshal Petain's repeated statements."

"To bring troops in this manner would be a hazardous undertaking. The distance is about 1,000 miles and it would mean that during its whole journey the plane would be exposed to view and attack. The German troop-carrying plane is a slow machine with a speed of about 150 miles per hour. It is not strong in armaments and is extremely vulnerable from the air and the ground. So I think it is improbable that any transport of such troops would be undertaken without fighter escort."

LIBYAN FIGHTING

"A feature of the Libyan fighting is the events at Tobruk. While Tobruk holds out, it will be a constant menace to the enemy advance. A feature of the campaign here is the large number of enemy troop-carrying planes that have been sent there and some of which we have destroyed. These may have been used in bringing troops and may still be used in an attack on Egypt."

"In this case air-borne troops may be used to seize air-fields or petrol supplies pending the arrival of other forces. There is no doubt that the struggle, where it comes, will be severe, but here the Axis will have to contend not only with a master of desert warfare, General Wavell, but with the disturbing factor of our naval forces along the whole route of the attack."

THREE CHINESE KILLED

Three men, Wong Cheung, 32, Lau Fung, 28, and Chung Yung, 18, the first two employed as fitters by the Kowloon-Canton Railway, and the third an apprentice in the trade, were killed yesterday morning, about 9.15 o'clock, in an explosion that occurred on a repair job near Whitchfield Barracks.

The engagement is announced of Miss Ethel Chun, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. C. Chun, of Shanghai, and granddaughter of the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow of Hongkong, to Mr. Z. Huang, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Huang, of Chungking.

TURKEY KEPT INFORMED OF EVENTS IN IRAQ

British Policy Criticised By Times In Leader

ANKARA, May 6 (Reuter)—Turkey is being kept fully informed by Britain of events in Iraq and the British Ambassador saw the Turkish Foreign Minister on Monday.

The Turks are anxious to see the Iraq affair settled, but realise that the Rashid Ali Government is a German instrument.

The German Ambassador, Herr von Papen, has not yet returned to Turkey.

The situation in Iraq is the chief subject of comment in the London Press.

THE TIMES says: "In this country, the Iraqi outbreak has naturally aroused criticism and excited concern. It is not unreasonable being asked whether the Foreign office was taken by surprise by the coup d'état, if not, what steps had been taken to meet probable consequences of the seizure of power by the notorious enemies of the British alliance."

WERE STEPS TAKEN?

The Times leader continues to deal with this point, and asks: "Was the Government informed by the Intelligence Service, if so, did the departments concerned take steps for executive action?"

Criticising the British policy in Iraq, The Times says that there have been too frequent changes in our Embassy, three Ambassadors and one acting Ambassador in the last four years. It is doubtful, though quite logical, to stress the unconstitutional methods employed by Rashid Ali to seize power, as the "Iraqis have had little experience of a constitutional Government."

It concludes: "But these things are of the past at the moment and all that matters is to meet the new incident with 'speed and determination'."

The DAILY MAIL asks: "Have the British representatives in Iraq been taken by surprise? Has our Intelligence Service failed to report what has been going on? If so, why? This is no new thing. It has happened in half-a-dozen countries."

"Here is a country which has been under Britain's wing since the last war and yet German influence has been allowed to penetrate to an alarming extent."

The paper concludes: "Similarly, members of Parliament in coming to the two-days debate, will demand a prosecution of the Iraq operation with the utmost vigour."

The DAILY TELEGRAPH comments: "Our air force quickly struck to a good purpose. The occupation of Basra has made it clear that the plot of Rashid Ali is to be vigorously dealt with."

"We have been assured by Mr. Anthony Eden that there will be no 'kid glove' policy for the threat to us in the Middle East."

The Telegraph deals, as do both other papers, with the fact that the "Rulers of the other Arab States are hostile to the usurper and the whole Arab world condemns him," and the concluding lines of this leader summarises and typifies all comment, "The situation is grave, but we have advantages from which bold and

NORTH-WEST COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

CHUNGKING, May 6 (Central) — Interviewed by the Central News, Mr. Lai Lien, dean of the National North-west College of Engineering, who arrived here on a business trip, said that appreciable progress has been made by the College since its formation by the amalgamation of the engineering colleges of the National Peiping University, and the Northeast University, the Pelyang Engineering College and the Chiaotso Engineering College.

There are now more than 1,000 students studying in eight departments, namely, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, civil engineering, aeronautical engineering, water conservancy, metallurgy, chemical engineering and textile art, and the research institute of metallurgy.

NEW DEPARTMENTS

Two new departments, industrial management and architecture, will be opened in the next academic year.

About 500 students have been graduated from the College during the last two years. They are now working in different organisations, helping in industrial reconstruction around the aerodrome.

YUGOSLAV SHIPS IN AMERICA

Vessels Boarded By Coast Guardsmen

NEW YORK, May 6 (Reuter)—United States Coast Guard authorities announced yesterday that Coast Guardsmen have boarded Yugoslav ships as a precautionary measure at Brooklyn, New York, but declared that the ships had not been "seized."

This announcement followed a report in the New York Journal-American that the Yugoslav ships, Sreca, Nepi and President Kraljevic have been taken over.

Coast Guardsmen said: "When the Coast Guard receives certain rumours, we take certain action."

The Journal-American reported that the President Kraljevic had attempted to flee but was captured off Staten Island at the entrance of New York harbour.

LOYAL TO ALLIES

Coast Guard Headquarters stated that it understood the reason for the move was to determine whether the officers and crews of the vessels were loyal to King Peter or to the new government established in Yugoslavia.

Inspection of the ships is believed to have established that they are loyal to King Peter and Britain and no further action is being taken although a close watch will be kept on the ships.

There are 17 Yugoslav ships in United States ports at present.

Fighting Speech By Democratic Senator

WASHINGTON, May 6 (Reuter)—Democratic SENATOR CLAUDE PEPPER, of Florida, made a fighting speech favouring Britain in the Senate here today.

Senator Pepper declared, "IT IS TIME FOR THE UNITED STATES TO GET TOUGH" and proposed that the President should declare a state of national emergency.

Senator Pepper, who is one of Administration's leaders, also advocated the closing by the United States of "exits from Europe, Africa and Asia against any possible attack on the American continent by jointly occupying, with Britain, Greenland, Iceland, Azores, the Cape Verde Islands, the Canary Islands, Dakar and Singapore, so as to keep the sea lanes to Britain open and stifle any attempt by the Nazis to occupy them."

OPEN JUNCTION

Senator Pepper also suggested an open junction between the United States and British Navies in the Pacific to "shoot up the Japanese Fleet in its lair as we know they are waiting to draw the dagger to stab us."

Long-range American bombers, he added, should be made available to China which, manned by volunteer American pilots, would make a shambles of Tokyo, should react on him as on the barbaric coast pirates and the Dillinger gangsters.

P.I. INVOLVED

MANILA, May 6 (Reuter)—The trend of events seems to point strongly to the possibility of American entry into the present war and if such a situation should arise, it goes without saying that the Philippines would be involved

RUBBER MONOPOLY IN BRITAIN

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—No trading occurred on the London rubber market yesterday and quotations were unavailable as the authorities discussed the market's future.

It is understood the Ministry of Supply has decided to become the sole importer and exporter of the commodity but will use the London Rubber Association in forming this function.

This recently appointed Rubber Controller continued conversations throughout the day with the trade.

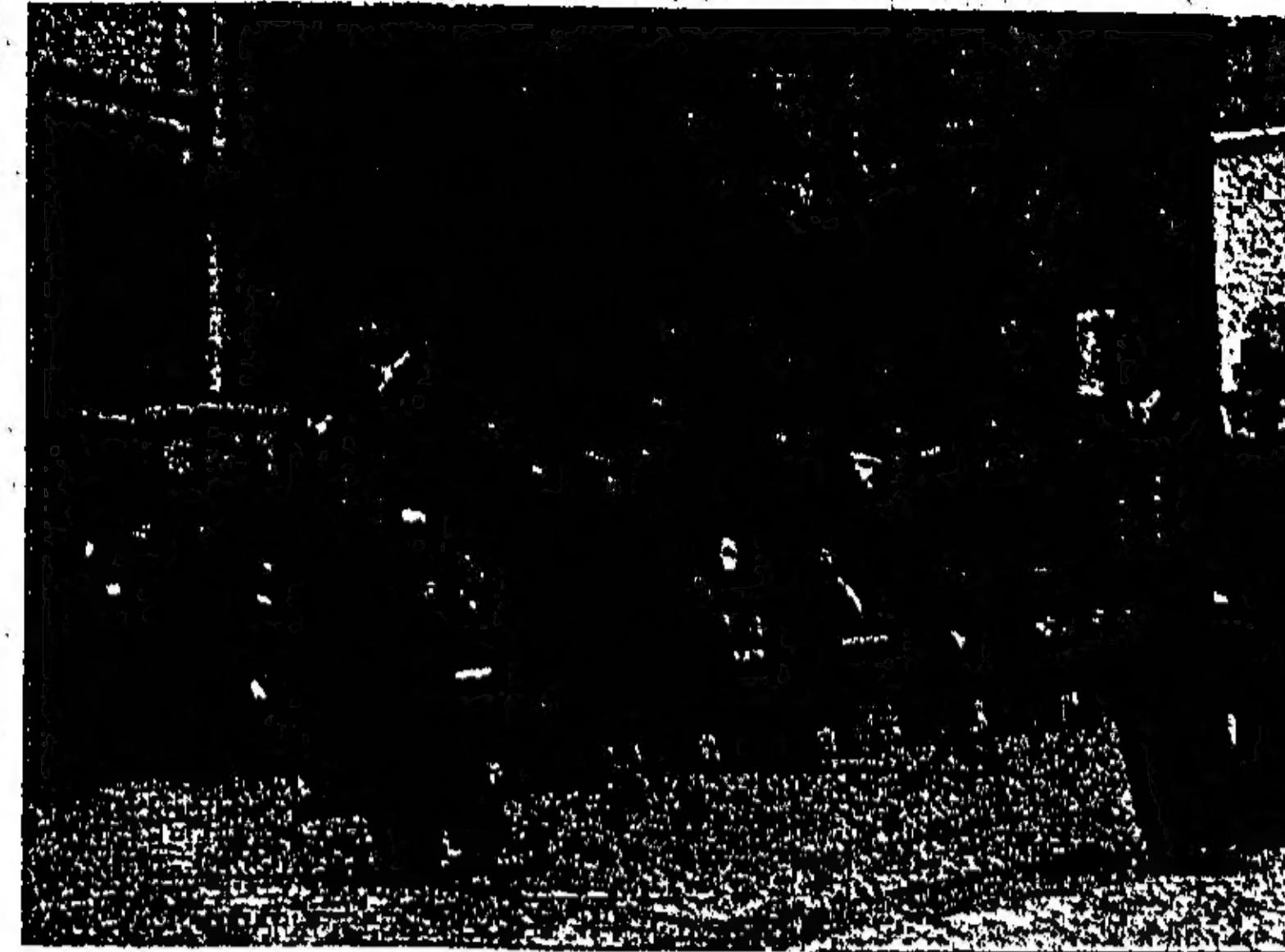
No statement on these discussions has been issued but market circles are pessimistic fearing an eventual decision that might involve the suspension of business "for the duration."

QUEEN WILHELMINA TO BROADCAST

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—Queen Wilhelmina is to broadcast in the Radio Orange programme at 6.45 p.m. (G.M.T.) in the evening transmission of the B.B.C.'s European service on Saturday, May 10.

CABLE

NORWEGIAN RATINGS



A section of Norwegian ratings marching through a town somewhere on the east coast of Canada.

N.E.I. PREPARED TO FIGHT

BATAVIA, May 6 (Reuter)—The Netherlands East Indies is firmly resolved to fight if necessary and is prepared to do so," declared the Netherlands Foreign Minister, DR. E. N. VAN KLEEF-FENS, in a broadcast to the people of the East Indies last night.

"We must fight till the Netherlands has risen again to the full time-honoured freedom and with its territory intact. This is something with which the present is keeping us occupied every day and through which the foreign affairs—unlike the past—are now engrossing our thoughts and actions continually."

"You have aided the cause of our country in every possible way. All classes of the Indies rallied round the Governor-General and have shown themselves to be a part of one indivisible kingdom and I can assure you that this firm attitude has made a deep impression not the least on our allies."

"The Indies have also realised that for the time being the bond between them and occupied Holland had to be severed."

"Besides, our position should not be regarded apart from other territories with which by the mere fact the Netherlands is in the hands of the enemy."

HARD LOT

"The hard lot of our loved ones in the mother country incite us to do our duty, each of us in our own particular place."

"From yet another point of view, foreign relations occupy a much larger part of our thoughts than before the war. Dark clouds have risen above the Pacific Ocean and its adjacent territories. There is tension in the atmosphere now which didn't exist before. This tension is also felt around the Indies."

"We want to live in peace with everyone, but not at any price. We are in no way aggressive and never

move which threatens others can be expected from our side. But what we shall do most certainly is to resist the unreasonable demands and above all to fight if against our hopes we will be threatened also in these parts with armed force."

The day the Excalibur left Lisbon he saw a Portuguese troopship with about 3,000 soldiers leave apparently for the Azores.

He understood a similar contingent left for the Azores several days before.

COUNCIL MEMBERS DENOUNCED

SHANGHAI, May 6 (Reuter)—Although the Provisional Municipal Council includes three Japanese, one of whom is the vice-chairman, the Japanese-sponsored Russian language daily, FAR EASTERN TIMES, published a full-page article today denouncing the Council members of which they were labelled as parasites, robbers, liars and bandits.

The matter is reported now as being studied by high Council officials in view of representations.

ANNUAL REPORT

A copy of the annual report for 1940 and Estimates for 1941 of the Shanghai Municipal Council has been received.

With its table of contents and an index, the Report gives complete records of the activities of the S. M. C. the strength of its Police force, crime in that city, medical report, a complete report of the annual meeting of Ratepayers in 1940, and conditions of the real estate market.

It is a veritable mine of information to those interested in the leading coastal port of China.

HAITI AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON, May 6 (Reuter)—The United States and Haiti reached an agreement in principle to end the United States' supervision of Haitian customs and internal revenue collections instituted in 1934 for the protection of United States' holders of Haitian bonds.

Story Of Clash

Continued from Page 1

within the East Asia sphere and should respect Japan's position as the leader of the sphere.

The paper adds that the agreement and the establishment of the peace in East Asia are co-relative.

The NICHI NICHI SHIMBUN claims that Indo-China will "co-operate with Japan as a good neighbour for the sake of consolidating a co-prosperity sphere."

TWO TREATIES

It is officially announced that Japan and Indo-China this afternoon signed two treaties, regarding navigation rights and customs tariff trade payments.

After six months of negotiations, two treaties were signed by Japan and Indo-China this afternoon, the Information Board announced.

They are described as a convention of the establishment of navigation and an agreement concerning customs tariffs, trade and method of payment.

A NEW PHASE

The Board statement says: "Convention and agreement will contribute greatly towards making closer Japanese and French Indo-China economic relations thereby ushering a new phase in the collaboration between Japan and France in East Asia, the fact of which is a source of mutual congratulation."

The convention of the establishment of navigation provides re-

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Vigorous Commons Debate On The War Effort Anticipated

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—The next two sittings of the House of Commons and the next sitting of the Lords will be occupied by consideration of the Government motion approving Government's policy in sending help to Greece and declaring confidence that the Imperial operations in the Middle East and other theatres will be pursued by Government with the utmost vigour, writes Reuter's Political correspondent.

As there is nothing in the nature of a crisis it will not be surprising knowledge how the new Ministers if, despite an animated debate in which at least two former War Ministers hope to participate, criticisms are not carried as far as a division in the Lobby except by a few like the Independent Labour Party men (who want a new government) and some of the more

steam generated by recent events in Libya, Greece, Iraq and Turkey, coupled with current criticism of production, organisation of man power and related problems in Britain.

EASTERN GROUP COUNCIL

SIMLA, May 6 (Reuter)—Reuter understands that all representatives of the participating countries in the Eastern Group Council has arrived here, including the officer of the central provision office.

The Council is now in full operation, co-ordinating the daily supply of requirements and expanding the output of the Eastern Group councils.

COLOSSAL ORDERS

CANBERRA, May 6 (Reuter)—Colossal orders for manufactured textile pieces have been received in the Commonwealth from the Delhi Eastern Supply Group. The textiles will be for the use of troops.

The wedding took place in Shanghai on April 27, at the Russian Orthodox Cathedral of Mr. N. T. Sopp, Deputy Commissioner of Chinese Maritime Customs, and son of Dr. and Mrs. Olov Sopp, of Norway, and Miss Irene Mavridis, daughter of Mrs. X. G. Mavridis of Shanghai. Mrs. Josephine de Mule and Mrs. Lucy Dimitriadis were matrons of honour. Miss Mary Thompson acted as bridesmaid. Cleo and Daphne Dimitriadis were the flower girls, and there were two pages, Mano Andrews and Michael Mavridis. The bestmen were Meno, C. E. Andrews, A. Nicholichis and A. M. Otter. Bridesmaids being Mr. H. Gonda and Mr. de Mule.

JOINT EXPLOITATION
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PARIS.—Georges Claude, the famous French scientist and author of a number of works on the thermic energy of the seas, has submitted to the inspection of the Academy of Sciences here an automobile running on acetylene ammonia, a new fuel which he invented.

His researches in the use of alcohol as fuel by dissolving under pressure a certain amount of acetylene into it, had resulted in his invention of the new fuel.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

UNEMPLOYED REMANDED

Cheng Lam, 26, unemployed, of No. 5, Kwong King Terrace, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with larceny of a typewriter and a fountain pen, the property of Tung Sik-fai, on April 19.

He was remanded until Friday for making further enquiries, on the application of Det-Sgt. W. Summers, who is in charge of the case.

FRAUDULENT CONVERSION

Hearing of the case in which Chan Ng-tsai, alias Chan Fook-cho, master of the Fook Ming Shop, No. 159, Des Voeux Road, Central, ground floor, is charged with fraudulent conversion of a big sum of money was fixed for May 22 by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

It was alleged that defendant converted to his own use or benefit the sum of \$2,800, which is part of \$4,300 entrusted to him by Chu Tung, banker, of No. 298, Queen's Road Central, second floor, for the purpose of buying a specific bangle.

Defendant was on \$4,000 bail. Det-Sgt. J. R. Sykes is in charge of the case.

WIRELESS TRANSMITTER

Two persons, one described as a Kuomintang reporter and another as a buyer for the Chinese Inspectorate and Statistic Bureau, and three others were further remanded for a week on a charge of possessing a wireless transmitting and receiving apparatus without the necessary permit at the second floor of No. 89, Robinson Road, on April 28 by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

The other defendants were Luk Kam-wah, 23, shop master of the Tai Chung Stationery Shop, Chan Chit, 23, unemployed, and Luk Kam-fu, 19, student.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon appeared in Court and said that Mr. Peter H. Sin will be representing all defendants, who were on \$2,000, bail each.

Mr. D. W. Waterton, Inspector of Wireless, G.P.O., is appearing for the prosecution.

POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE

A mining foreman, Wong Hok-ching, 25, of no fixed abode, was remanded by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday until Friday for making further enquiries on a charge of unlawful possession of 20 sticks of dynamite at Eastern Street.

Sgt. W. McLeod is in charge of the case.

CONVICTION REGISTERED

Pleading guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of 70 bamboo canes at Victoria Road, near Cado-gan Street, Li Hon-kong, 36, unemployed, was fined \$1 or seven days' hard labour by Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday.

Sgt. Woodhead prosecuted.

DANCE COUPON CASE

Charged with receiving a \$10 dance coupon of the Cathay Ballroom on April 14, knowing it to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained, Wong Fuk-cheung, 28, salesman, Chan So, 30, teacher, and Wong Wing-hin, 22, salesman, were remanded for a further week by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

The complainant in this case is Kiu Hung, 20, woman, of Room 310, St. Francis Hotel.

Mr. M. A. Da Silva, who appeared for the prosecution told the Court that further charges might be preferred against them.

All defendants, who are on \$500 bail each, will be represented by Mr. K. F. Wong.

Acting Supt-Insp. F. Nojari is in charge of the case.

OFFICER CAUTIONED

Paymaster-Lieut. J. S. Theobald was summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for driving without due care and caution.

The summons accused him of driving car No. 5048 at 35 m.p.h. on the wrong side of a bend on Shek O Road on April 20.

Defendant pleaded not guilty, saying that he could not recollect the alleged incident.

Sgt. J. Scott, of the Special Branch, testified that he was driving towards Shek O at 35 m.p.h. on the day in question and had to pull up in order to avoid a collision. The other car swung round the bend with its tyres screeching and went on its way without stopping.

Evidence was also given by Miss Margaret Scott, who was travelling in Sgt. Scott's car.

Defendant was discharged with a caution.

Traffic Sgt. J. Hunter prosecuted.

GENERAL

SUMMARY COURT ACTION

CLAIM FOR RETURN OF DIESEL ENGINE

A successful claim for the return of a complete set of parts of a two-cylinder Diesel engine of 50 horse power with accessory was brought before Mr. Justice Cressall at the Summary Court yesterday by Leung Fat-ming, trading as the Shing Lee Shipbuilder and the Sim Din Co., against Ho Chung, trading as the Ho Chung Kee firm.

Plaintiff alternatively claimed the sum of \$1,000, being the value of the engine.

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios represented plaintiff while Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth was for the defense.

Mr. Wynter-Blyth said that his client was unable to come to court as he had been sick for a long time. He had tried to induce his client to bring a medical certificate but defendant had been sick so long that he had spent all his money.

ADJOURNMENT OPPOSED

Mr. Remedios said that the case started as far back as Jan. last and had been adjourned from time to time. At the last adjournment Mr. Williams said he would give judgment to plaintiff if defendant would not turn up at the next date fixed. Mr. Remedios added that he opposed a further adjournment.

Mr. Justice Cressall said that since so many opportunity had been given defendant to appear in Court and who had failed to produce a medical certificate he would allow plaintiff's claim with costs. His Lordship also issued an order for the release of the machinery from the Bailiff.

DRAFT THEFT SEQUEL

The case in which Wong Sang, 35, unemployed, was charged on three counts in connexion with alleged theft of a bank draft for \$500, from his sister-in-law, Ho Lin, 24, widow, at No. 24, Second Street, second floor, on April 9 was heard before Mr. Lowry yesterday.

The draft was issued by the Chun Hing Bank, No. 28, Pottinger Street.

Complainant in evidence, said that the money was left by her husband, who died last December. She put the draft in an unlocked trunk in defendant's presence.

She was later told by the bank that defendant had drawn part of the money.

The case was adjourned tomorrow at 11.30 a.m. Det-Sgt. W. Summers prosecuted.

sonal bond of \$25 to be of good behaviour for one year.

CAPT. CHATTIEY REMANDED

Capt. Walter Harold Pawlesland Chattey, of the Middlesex Regiment, who was charged with a serious offence, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday for a further remand of three days.

Defendant was on \$500 bail.

ASSAULT ALLEGED

Alleged to have assaulted Ngo Gee-wo, accountant of the Chinese Telegraph Company at No. 3 Connaught Road, with intent to rob him, Kwong Ki, 20, was charged before Mr. Macnamara yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for defendant while Det-Sgt. N. B. Fraser was for the Police.

Complainant resided at No. 138, Temple Street. About 9.15 p.m. on April 19, complainant went home and was followed by three Chinese.

As he was mounting the steps, two men seized his arms behind while another pointed a knife at his face.

Complainant succeeded in breaking away and ran down the staircase.

Accused was intercepted by a Chinese constable.

After evidence, hearing was adjourned to tomorrow at 11.30 a.m.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Commitial proceedings against Chan Tak, 29, Cheng Chan-leung, 20, Chan Ming-lap, 21, and Chung Yu-shing, 20, all folks of a tea-house at No. 7, Cheung On Street, who were charged with manslaughter, were concluded before Mr. Anderson yesterday when Chan Tak and Chung Yu-shing were discharged and the others committed to the next Criminal Sessions.

Det-Sgt. H. T. Matches said that defendants had a fight near their address on the morning of May 5. Later they met near the Star Ferry Wharf and began to fight again.

They were taken to the Police and were later admitted into hospital.

The Chinese woman alleged that the Russian woman had borrowed money from her and refused to pay back.

Locke, who failed to appear, had her bail of \$10 estreated while Chan was ordered to sign a per-

THE NEW

'EMPIRE' VICAR

A dark young man of 36 stepped into the place of Pad McCormick and Dick Sheppard at St. Martin-in-the-Fields one day and won instant approval.

The congregation watched their new vicar, the Rev. Eric Stephen Loveday, mount the steps to the pulpit to deliver his first sermon in the "Parish Church of the Empire."

They were pleased with his deep, beautifully modulated voice, his grave sincerity.

As they left, people were already speaking familiarly of him as "Eric Loveday."

Already, they were unconsciously dropping the formal "Revverend," as everyone did when speaking of his famous predecessor.

In the darkened church, with its boarded windows, his words and voice were those of a great pulpit personality.

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I saw the new vicar slipping quietly away from his church after the "ordual" of his first service.

"I shall like it here," he told me. "I feel at home already."

Outside the main entrance members of the congregation were discussing Eric Loveday, and deciding they liked him too.

VICHY'S OVERSEAS CONSULATES

The Foreign Ministry recently announced the following appointments and transfers, affecting French consular officials in the Far East:

M. Albert Cadol, 1st Class Secretary-Interpreter in the Far East, at present in Swatow, will take charge of the French Consulate in Amoy.

M. Robert German, 1st Class Secretary-Interpreter in the Far East, at present in charge of the French Consulate in Mukden, will take charge of the Consulate in Hankow.

M. Jean Dubosc, 1st Class Secretary-Interpreter in the Far East, at present in Harbin but did not serve in that capacity, will be in charge of the French Consulate in Hongkong.

M. Raoul Duval, who was appointed Consul in Harbin but did not serve in that capacity, will be in charge of the French Consulate in Hongkong.

M. Pierre Molland, 3rd Class Secretary-Interpreter at present in Peking, will act as Secretary-Interpreter and collector in the French Consulate in Mukden.

Mr. Charles Renier, Vice-Consul in Hongkong, will take charge of the French Consulate in Mukden.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 6, 1941.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand	1/3 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	455
On Singapore:	
On demand	52 3/4
On Japan:	
On demand	109 1/2
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer,	82 5/8
and demand	
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand	22 3/4
Credits 60 days' sight	24 1/2
On Batavia:	
On demand	44 1/2
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:	
On demand	103
On Manila:	
On demand	47 1/2
On Bangkok:	
On demand	149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate	Nom.
Sterling per oz.	23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROJA BROS.

Tuesday, May 6.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady and idle. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 243 1/8 with some business done later at 24 1/4 for forward and near. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 24 1/8 for near, buyers at 24 1/4 for near and probably July.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 465 1/2 with small business done at 466 and 465 3/4. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 465 1/4, buyers probably at 465 3/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 37 1/2 and then rose to 315 6/4. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 37 3/2 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 53 1/16 with business done at 57 3/2. The market closed with sellers at 53 1/16 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Closed steady with sellers at 24 1/4 for near and forward, buyers at 24 5/16 for Cash. No business was reported this afternoon.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was done in the afternoon at 465 followed by transactions at 464 1/2, 464, 463 3/4, and 463 1/2. The market closed with sellers at 462 1/4, buyers at 463 1/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Closed steady with sellers of Sterling at 315 6/4 for Spot and U.S. Dollars at 57 3/2 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 6 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/3-1/8

New York 5 1/8

Japan 21-3/4

India 17-1/4

Paris Nominal

Hongkong 20-3/4

Sellers

Opening

Spot 0/3-7/32

May 0/3-7/32

June 0/3-7/32

U.S. Dollars

Spot \$5-3/16

May 5-3/16

June 5-3/16

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24 1/4 per cent.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, May 6, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July	11.89	11.74	11.83	11.75	.08 off
New York Rubber, July	24.30	23.35	23.83	23.55	.28 off
Chicago Wheat, July	94	92	92	92	1/4 off
Chicago Corn, July	70	69	68	68	1/4 up
New York Hides, June	14.35	14.24	14.11b	14.26	.15 up

	Close	Change
May	11.81/81	11.73 N
July	11.83/83	11.75/78
October	11.88/88	11.80/81
December	11.89/88	11.86/87
January	11.87 N	11.86/88
March	11.86/88	11.86/88
Spot	12.05	11.97

Total sales Saturday: 119,400 bales.

The last trading day for May cotton is May 16.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	May	July	October	December	January	March
May	23.13 N	23.80 N	23.55/57	22.85 N	22.85 N	22.85 N
July	23.83/83	23.55/57	22.85 N	22.85 N	22.85 N	22.85 N
September	23.27/27	23.25/25				
December	22.95/95	22.85 N				

Total sales for the day: 3,110 tons.

The last trading day for May rubber is May 27.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	May	July	September
Baltimore & Ohio	94/94	94/94	94/94
July	93/93	92/93	93/93

Saturday's sales: 20,518,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	May	July	September
Baltimore & Ohio	69/69	69/69	69/69
July	69/68	69/68	69/68

Total sales for the day: 200 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA

	May	July	September
closed	7.71 N		
The last trading day for May cocoa is May 22.			

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	May	July	September
closed	2.47b/48a	2.48b/50a	0.01 up
The last trading day for No. 3 Sugar is May 23.			

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	July	September
79b/79a	79b/79a	79b/80a

The Last trading day for No. 4 Sugar is May 1.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	July	September
11.48b	11.48b	11.48b

unch.

NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL

	July	September
9.75/77	9.83/84a	0.08 up

NEW YORK LARD

	September</
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NAZIS ANXIOUS TO HAVE SYRIA AS ARMY BASE

ZURICH, May 6 (Reuter)—Political circles here assume that Germany is anxious to have permission to use Syria as a military base.

No authoritative information, however, is available in connexion with Germany's proposals to Vichy which were handed by Herr Otto Abetz, the Nazi Ambassador to France, to Admiral Darlan, the Vichy Foreign Minister, during the week-end.

PARIS CONFAB

LONDON, May 6 (Reuter)—The Swiss radio reports from Vichy that Admiral Darlan, who left yesterday afternoon for Paris, is accompanied by two diplomatic advisers.

The announcer said that the diplomatic negotiations which Admiral Darlan will conduct in Paris are of far-reaching importance for the future of French-German relations.

CITIES OF REFUGE'

The Salvation Army plan to establish "Cities of Refuge" in big centres throughout the country after the war. They will shelter men and women who have been made unable to continue the "struggle for existence."

The scheme was announced at the Mansion House by General Carpenter, at a meeting which marked the completion of 50 years' social work by the "Army" all over the world.

"We hope," he said, "that out of all this anguish, misery, and destruction a brighter and better world will be born—but whatever shape a new social order may take, there will still be human misfits."

The "Cities of Refuge" will be modelled on the Salvation Army's special organisation in Paris, which can accommodate nearly 600 men, women, and children.

FARM TRAINING

On small farms "socially sick" men and women could be taught to grow fruits, flowers, and vegetables.

General Carpenter estimates the cost of 20 "Cities of Refuge" at about £1,000,000.

It is 50 years since General William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, started a £100,000 fund to tackle the problem of what he was the first to call "The submerged tenth"—the down-and-outs.

"IMPOSSIBLE" TASK

BOSTON.—There are many reasons why you can buy an electric light bulb today for 15 cents—that as late as 1931 would have cost you 40 cents and only deliver half the present quantity of light.

One reason is the joke old-timers in General Electric's lamp division used to play on new engineers, youngsters fresh out of college, who hadn't yet learned about things that can't be done.

New researchers were assigned the "impossible" task of frosting bulbs on the inside. Such a bulb would collect less dust and grease, would diffuse more light with less absorption. Because everyone knew it couldn't be done each perspiring neophyte researcher soon forgave the smirks greeting his failure.

But one day, so the story goes, Marvin Pipkin was initiated. He

CHINA COAST SHIPPING

Speculation On Reported Soviet Plans

SHANGHAI, May 6 (Reuter)—In view of the acute dearth of bottoms, the reported Soviet plans to place nine Soviet vessels in service between Shanghai and southern waters have aroused considerable interest here.

The vessels are said to be arriving in Shanghai shortly from Vladivostok, bringing large cargoes of daily necessities and will then be put into service for the transportation of general freight between Shanghai and such points as Manchur and Saigon and possibly farther east.

It is also reported that the Soviet authorities are planning to open an office here to handle shipping business.

If the Soviet plan is true, it is believed that it would provide a great reduction in the price of such commodities as rice and coal, and might have a salutary effect on living costs and freight rates which are at present prohibitive.

TOWN AND COUNTRY

LONDON.—The evacuation of English children is setting right a lot of mistaken ideas regarding children. The whole world harbours the insistent and entirely erroneous idea that all children love green fields and dote on rural life.

The Cockney child actually very soon becomes homesick for its lamp standards and pavements. It pines for cinemas and fried fish shops.

It finds the wide open spaces bleak and unsatisfactory, is afraid of the country animals, and cannot understand a form of life when it is not able to spend its spare time in the cinema or playing hopscotch on convenient pavement squares.

Its roller-skating activities are limited because of the bumpiness of the roads; it finds life unpleasantly dark at night, and believes that fairies come to haunt it.

In one rural parish a horde appeared. There was no shop for five miles, and going to school meant a tour over fields parallel with an interesting river which had drowned three children in twenty-five years.

And these children drink beer; they were shocked at finding no convenient pub. One child became hysterical because he could not have beer with his supper.

SOMEWHERE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

MAY 6 (Reuter)—Information reaching authoritative Yugoslav circles here declares that considerable dissatisfaction is rife among Croat supporters of Hitler's new order in view of the action of Italy and Hungary in seizing large slices of Croatia, although the whole territory had been promised as an independent republic.

I sell for the gag, hook, line, sinker and pole. And he not only found a way to frost bulbs on the inside, but developed an etching acid which gave minute rounded pits instead of sharp-angled depressions, thus materially strengthening each bulb.

No one told him it couldn't be done and he took it so seriously he did it.

ARCTIC MALADY GRIPS GERMAN TROOPS

OSLO (via New York).—Hundreds of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalidated home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

LACK OF VITAMINS

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom, and it sometimes leads to violent insanity.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is becoming so seriously affected by inactivity that Hitler has ordered the "expenditure of millions" of pounds on German "soldiers' homes" to be established everywhere between the North Cape and the Bay of Biscay.

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

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Days Weeks Days Months Days Months Days Months Days Months

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8 07 01 19 12 5 6 0

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SOCER REFEREES SEEK INCREASE IN FEES

A number of suggestions for submission to the annual meeting of the Hongkong Football Association were adopted at the final monthly meeting of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL REFEREES' ASSOCIATION held at Hotel Cecil last night.

Among the suggestions were an all-round increase in fees; that fees or medals be given for all charity matches; travelling expenses of officials for all matches to be paid; that, as the Army and Navy have no local handbook, rules for the Kotewall Cup be included in the H. K. F. A. handbook.

The other suggestions ask that the Association give written information as to whether a referee is the sole judge whether a ground is fit for play and that grounds in Happy Valley be marked on the day of League matches instead of during the week.

OFFICIAL LINESMEN

A suggestion was also put forward that in a match between teams running neck-to-neck in the championship official linesmen be appointed.

Last night's speaker was Mr. Hugh A. Beard, Chairman of the Association, who spoke on "Human Nature in Association Football". The speaker was thanked by Mr. D. Kossick who remarked that the attendance was very encouraging and was one of the best of the season.

Speaking of the impending departure from the Colony of C. S. M. Minihan, the chairman spoke in warm tones of his work and said he had done splendid work on the committee and as Hon. Secretary of Army Referees' Committee and had earned all the respect of all genuine workers and followers of soccer here. He thanked C. S. M. Minihan for his loyal services and wished him the best of luck and continued success in the soccer world.

Mr. W. M. Glover (for the Navy and R. M.), Mr. Kossick (for the civilians), Mr. F. J. da Silva (secretary) and the Rev. S. Hinckliffe (for the Army) associated themselves with the chairman's remarks.

A short and highly informative talk on "Advice to Referees on Registration, and Promotion" was given by Mr. M. Minihan.

MR. BEARD'S TALK

Mr. Beard said, in part:

At past meetings we have listened to many interesting talks on the duties of Referees, and on many other subjects concerning Association Football and we have discussed at some time or other, every one of the "Laws of the Game" as well as, most of the official decisions, advice to referees, secretaries and players, together with the fine Memorandum in the Referees' Chart for the guidance of Referees but, after all this, I consider that one of the most important things which it is necessary

TODAY'S FINAL

The Tsui brothers—Wai-pui and Yan-pui—will contest the Singles title this afternoon at the Stand Court. It has been predicted that the younger brother will beat his brother.

MADRID, May 6 (Reuters)—Senor Valentine Galarza is appointed Minister of Interior which office was vacant since Senor Suner became the Foreign Secre-

tary.

Government Rice Control Must Be Immediate

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of all shipments ever examined? I ask this because I know for a fact that the best grade of rice can be, and is, landed here at \$11 per picul, or \$4 lower than that fixed by Government."

Referring to the Government notification, he said: "Why wait until June 1? Why not make a start immediately? Four weeks is a long time for the very poor to wait for relief, and a sufficient period for unscrupulous dealers to reap fortune!"

DRASTIC REMEDY NEEDED

"A drastic situation needs a drastic remedy, and dealers who have been swindling the public, especially at a time like the present, do not deserve any consideration. Why tell them 'Get rid of your stocks at the highest price you can get during the next four weeks, as we are going to step in and put a check to your profiteering business?'

"Surely with all the wide powers vested in themselves, under the Emergency Regulations, Government could step in immediately and requisition all rice stocks in the Colony (at import price plus a small margin of profit) and cancel all import permits. If I remember rightly, that is exactly what the Firewood Controller is doing."

IMMEDIATE ACTION

The necessity of Government taking immediate action instead of waiting until June 1 was also emphasised by the Director of a leading Chinese retail store employing over 200 persons for whom the firm has to provide food.

"If action is not taken quickly," he said, "I have exceedingly grave fears of riots taking place. Everybody, poor or rich, must eat. If they cannot afford to buy rice, they will try to steal it. If the situation gets too bad, the plight of the copia class, earning about 40 to 50 cents per day and having anything from five to ten mouths to feed, will be so desperate that the possibility of rice riots cannot be precluded. I sincerely hope that the Chinese members on the Legislative Council will urge upon the Government the necessity of immediate action when this question comes up for discussion at the meeting on Thursday."

CHAOTIC STATE

Inquiries made by a Hongkong Daily Press reporter revealed an exceedingly chaotic state of affairs in the rice market, with Government orders openly flouted. Rice was quoted at between \$18 to \$26 per picul.

Government rice was only sold by the shops in 50-cent lots. Many shops claimed to be out of stock of this rice, although deliveries had been made to them a few minutes previously. The reason for this, it was learnt, was that all Government rice is kept overnight before being offered for sale by the retailers. The quality, in the meantime, has been somewhat changed.

Private stocks—that is, non-Government rice—are sold in any quantity, at prices ranging from \$26.10 per picul for the really Grade I, quality to \$18.20 for the so-called Grade II. There was no rice offered at less than \$18.20—or five catties and eight taels for \$11!!

LAWMAKERS

It is only human nature to admire that player for his honesty and act upon his word BUT it is also very essential to bear in mind how this might re-act.

Let us suppose a goal is awarded later in the same match against this defending player's side, and the same player comes up and tells the referee that the scorer of the goal handled the ball before scoring.

If you HAD acted on his version of the corner incident, isn't it only logic for the man to expect you to take his word and act on it when it is to the advantage of his own side? The moral is, I am sure, obvious to all—**"MAKE YOUR OWN DECISIONS AND STICK TO THEM!"**

FOREIGN MAIRS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 7th MAY, 1941.

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SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

Now for a word about the player who apparently is the Referee's best friend, while he is looking, but is up to all the nasty tricks possible when the Referee's back is turned. This type of player is the one, to my mind, who gives the Ref., his big chance of proving that he is equal to his job.

Now I must speak of the player whom I consider the most troublesome: the man with the permanent air of injured innocence: you must all have experienced such a player.

You will often find that this type of player is quite aware of just how far he can go, without actually committing a definite offence, and keeps within the limit.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

Now for a word about the player who tries to bluff the referee into giving something for nothing, and by that I do not mean his fee!

How often have you said to yourself: "WAS HE TRIPPED?" "IS HE REALLY HURT?" and you have to make your mind up in a fraction of a second. It is certainly possible, especially in the case of injury, for a player to bluff you the first time, as to his degree of injury, but if a close watch is kept on the quick way in which he recovers, well—do not let him bluff you a second time!

In conclusion, I would like to refer to incidents which make it difficult to act against human nature. Take the case of a goal-kick after a scramble on the goal line, and an appeal is made for a corner and a defending player tells you the ball came off his foot before going out of play.

Now it is only human nature to admire that player for his honesty and act upon his word BUT it is also very essential to bear in mind how this might re-act.

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BEST PUBLICISED' BRITISH EFFORT

Buenos Aires, May 6 (Reuters)

"Heavens, but can't they walk" was the universal exclamation at the preview of the British mannequins brilliantly staged at the leading hotel here on Monday for the Press at which many socialites gate-crashed to get preview.

It was the best publicised and best produced British effort ever seen in Argentina.

The outstanding "hits" were Lord Willingdon's niece, Rosemary Chancie, Miss Gethin and Dolores who took the audience by storm.

The fresh beauty of England's mannequins has thrilled the town.

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